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22nd birthdays. Since most young riders who will be participating are recent "graduates" of equitation classes and are thus particularly familiar with this phase of showing, the Program is confined to the Equitation Division, including Hunting. Saddle and Stock Saddle sections. A qualified member in the first instance will apply to the Association for approval as a Novice Judge. If approved the applicant will be sent six Show Request Cards - Novice Judges may not officiate in more than six shows per year. The applicant will then forward these Forms to the Committees of Shows in which he wishes to participate. If accepted he will be notified by the Committee not later than two weeks before the show is to be held and will receive a prize list. Upon arrival at the show he will be presented with a Judge's card for each class, identical with those prepared for the officiating judges; will station himself at the ringside; and will mark his card as though officiating. His card will be collected after each class and will be kept for the use of the officiating Judges in later discussing the class with the Novice

We commend this program as one which, over a period of time, could well be extended to other Divisions and which could have a most fortunate influence in providing better

judges for the future.

#### **NOVICE EQUITATION JUDGES**

A decade ago-1949 to be exact-when your Editor was Chairman of the Hunter and Jumper Committee and a member of the Executive Committee of the American Horse Shows Association, President Adrian van Sinderen appointed a Judges Committee, under the chairmanship of Whitney Stone, of which he was also made a member. At that time, and in fact ever since its founding, the A.H.S.A. has been particularly concerned with improving the calibre of its judges. It has enlisted the services of the more experienced older horsemen, determining their qualifications through questionnaires sent out by the Judges Committee to Registered Judges. members of Regional and Divisional Committees and others. It has endeavored to make the task of judging as attractive as possible, setting forth in the Rule Book section concerning the Operation of a Horse Show suggestions as to accommodations, transportation, boxes, parking spaces and financial arangements. Fees for judging and expense allowances do not affect their amateur status. No judge can be approached with regard to any decision while judging or about to judge, nor is he required to explain his decisions to an exhibitor.

Only Recognised judges may officiate alone at Recognised Shows (with occasional exceptions in the case of Guest judges). In order to assist Recognised Judges, however, and in order to give experience to younger men and women, the A.H.S.A. provides for Recorded Judges who, after a satisfactory term of service, become eligible for promotion to full standing

as Recognised Judges.

Recognised, Recorded and Guest Judges must be 21 years of age or over. Even before 1949, the American Horse Shows Association had given serious thought to the advantages of giving to those under 21 the training which would eventually qualify them for judicial office. During the intervening ten years further impetus has been given to this idea by the tremendous increase of junior riders, particularly in equitation classes; by discussion in Directors Meetings and by helpful suggestions from individual members and allied organisations, notably the Professional Horsemen's Association through the Editor of the P.H.A. News, Mr. Paul Nigro.

Beginning in 1958 the A.H.S.A. has inaugurated a Novice Judging Program open to Individual Senior Members who have not reached their

## Letters

#### Half-Bred Hunters

Dear Sir:

Perhaps if you cannot speak well of anything it is better not to speak at all, yet I am prompted to answer Mrs. Gardner E. Stone's letter about Half-bred Hunters lest she or others be deceived and since Mrs. Stone has asked for controversial ideas.

The Percheron Cross

Mrs. Stone sets for herself and other New Englanders, three requirements for I very much doubt that the stock she has described in her letter will furnish any of these three requirements to the degree she hopes for, nor would it seem likely that this stock will produce the size of hunter Mrs. Stone says she is interested in breeding and training. The 16.2 Percheron mare might get a half-bred heavyweight but, in my opinion, it was a mistake to breed her to a small Thoroughbred and the resulting nicely mannered 15.3 2-year-old may

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### Miracle Finishes of Silky Sullivan **Astound Racing World**

Raleigh Burroughs

Some magazine subscribers feel that they owe it to themselves to read every word in the purchased publication. Otherwise, they wouldn't get their money's worth.

Therefore, it seems safe to assume that there are persons who read this weekly report regularly. And, of course, there are the ones who force themselves to it instead of giving up cigarettes for

These persevering perusers, no doubt, have noticed that numerous priceless suggestions have been offered track managements from time to time. Eliminating the beaten favorite is one that comes to mind; but there have been dozens more that would have redounded to the benefit of the patron, and increased the associations' profits many fold.

If any course has seen fit to put them to use, word hasn't gotten back to me, and no one has cut me in on any excess swag resulting from the use of my ideas. There is no complaint here, as the suggestions were made for the good of the industry, without thought of personal gain.

If you gathered from the foregoing remarks that another mighty contribution to the Sport of Kings is about to be revealed, you were doing some very astute gathering.

So get ready for something big.

Racecourse managements worry themselves about getting well-matched fields and varied programs, and those things are important, but the trick is to give the customers something that makes them jump right out of their seats.

Wrestling (if you will excuse the expression) has it all figured out. If the paying public wants eye-gouging, eyegouging it gets. If the sadistic souls who support the spectacle care for blood, they get blood (or an indistinguishable facsimile); if they want body slams, that's what is presented to them.

Now let's examine racing's repertoire and see what brings 'em up screaming, and makes 'em come back next week.

The front-running victory? That's very nice for the punter who wishes to wager without worry. It is satisfying to backers and easy on the nervous system.

The duel? Exciting, yes; but when two horses take over the race and make it a personal battle, there isn't much left for the investors who supported the lagging contestants.

The close finish involving many? This keeps a good percentage of the players in the game right up to the last second and must be saluted as one of racing's great-

But we're still looking for the one type of race that brings forth the cheers of all - winners and losers - and gives the unlucky ones something to think about while they are tearing up their tickets.

The thing that attracts the fans in droves and sends them away happy and giddy - win or lose - is the horse that comes from far back and wins going away; and I don't mean just 'way back, I mean w-a-a-a-y, w-a-a-a-y back.

Santa Anita found one, and if more tracks fall in line, attendance figures will rise to new highs even in recession times. The wrestling fans will come. If they go for flying mares, they'll be even more enthralled by flying horses.

Silky Sullivan has the California fans groggy, and the entire sports world jabbering dizzily, with his blistering last moment charges. If more such horses can be developed, racing will soar to attendance records never dreamed of by the most optimistic of publicity men.

On the day of the Santa Anita Derby, March 8, 63,000 rabid enthusiasts came out to invite heart trouble by watching the amazing colt perform. In previous races he has been so far back going down the far side that it seemed only a miracle could save him. But six miracles had occurred in his eleven-race, two-season career.

As it isn't every day a Thoroughbred patron has a chance to take 11 to 10 on a miracle, the throng swarmed in to take advantage of the opportunity.

Silky Sullivan did not disappoint.

He performed according to a script that might have been written in Hollywood.

He started off in his usual lackadaisical manner, waiting for the dust of the others

ON EVERY WET TRACK GET A ROLL NOW FROM

to settle before coming through.

Aliwar galloped along on the front end, with Old Pueblo forcing the pace and Sabredale making it interesting.

With a half mile gone, Silky Sullivan was only about 20 lengths back of the leader. In recent efforts he has lagged by 38 or 40 at that stage of the game.

With six furlongs behind him and three to go, Silky had passed one horse.

Then came the cry, "Here comes Silky Sullivan."

The stands reverberated! Senor Hernandez, Santa Anita's announcer, hadn't had so much fun since the days of legendary Malicious.

And how Silky came !

Sprinting like a quarter-horse, he circled six on the bend and whizzed past the eighth pole five lengths behind the

The miracle was in full swing. The chestnut colt was flying and flew on by, winning by 3 1/2 lengths and still full of

Harcall came up to get second place, and Aliwar held on gamely for third, a head back of the place horse.

Old Pueblo ran a commendable race, finishing fourth, less than two lengths farther back.

Silky Sullivan is owned by Tom Ross and Phil Klipstein.

The colt has won 3 of his 5 starts and been second once, in 1958. His earnings, with the \$83,400 from the Derby, amount to \$102,200. With 4 wins and a third in 7 last year, he accumulated \$21,750.

He won the Golden Gate Futurity last December.

By \*Sullivan, out of Lady N Silk, by Ambrose Light, Silky Sullivan was bred by Mrs. N. F. Roberts and Dr. R. H. Roberts.

Reggie Cornell trains him.

Bill Shoemaker rode him in the Derby.

Camino Real Handicap

Mrs. Ethel D. Jacobs' Roscoe Maney had been trying since January I to win a race at Santa Anita, and finally made it on the 50th day of the 55-day meeting.

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On March 5, he took the 1 1/4-mile Camino Real Handicap on the greensward at the huge Arcadia track. His time, 1:58 4/5 equaled the track record.

Under I, Valenzuela, the four-yearold colt came from well back to register by 2 1/4 lengths over Ekaba. Eddie Schmidt was third and Hi Pardner, fourth. Roscoe Maney paid \$10.70 for \$2.

The race was worth \$19,350 and gave the son of Palestinian-Land of Oz, by \*Sir Gallahad III, \$28,550 for the season.

He won 5 races and \$25,105 in '57. Hirsch Jacobs trains him and the Bieber-Jacobs Stable bred him.

#### Hialeah

Enough action for a 40-day meeting was packed into Hialeah's Flamingo Stakes on March 1, but the track had two more big ones left for the next week. These were the \$30,000 Black Helen on Monday, March 3, and the \$75,000 Hialeah Turl Handicap on Tuesday, March 4.

The D & H Stable, a Florida establishment, sent out Pardala for the Black Helen and she came back with first prize, defeating the favored Amoret by a neck. Gay Life and Pink Velvet followed the leaders home. Pardala was second choice and paid \$8.30. The Black Helen is at 1 1/8 miles.

The \$28,400 she earned gave Pardala \$35,275 for 1958. She has won 2 races and been third once in 3 starts.

Pardala, a five-year-old mare, won \$58,985 last year scoring 3 victories, the Matriarch and the Diana among them.

Jackson Dudley and Bonnie Heath own the D & H Stable. Hugh Fontaine trains for them.

Dave Erb had the mount in the Black Helen.

Pardala (Pardal-\*Double Deal II, by Straight Deal) was bred by Paul Mellon.

Tartan Stable's \*Meeting scampered off with the Hialeah Turf Handicap. He covered the mile and one-half in 2:274/5, setting a new course record.

He bested Jabneh by five lengths, with Roman Battle finishing third and Hoop Band, fourth. Both members of the Hasty House Farm odds-on entry, \*Stephanotis and \*Mahan, finished far back.

\*Meeting, a Chilean-bred, seems to be just finding his way around in the Northern Hemisphere. He raced 4 times last season and got nothing. He has won 3 races and been second once in 8 starts since the first of the year. John Ruane has ridden him to all three of his wins.

The Turf Handicap launched his stakeswinning career, and \$71,100 is nice launching. That put his '58 earnings at \$80,435.

The Tartan Stable belongs to W. L. McKnight who makes and peddles cellophane adhesive tape and is, reportedly, doing very well.

#### THE CHRONICLE

Mr. McKnight paid \$25,000 for \*Meeting last April.

The five-year-old horse is by Brick, out of Eos, by Strip the Willow. He was bred by the Haras Chile.

J. Sceusa trains him.

#### Gulfstream Park

Hialeah had no more than closed when Gulfstream opened. The six-furlong Armed Handicap, on March 5, got things going at the Hallandale track.

Bwamazon Farm's Jovial Jove beat Greek Game and Arion by noses to earn first money. Chit Chat was fourth, 2 1/2 lengths back.

Pucker Up, the choice at a little less than 2 to 1, tired after forcing and setting the pace.

Jovial Jove (Olympia-Whirling Girl, by Whirlaway) earned \$7,200. It was his first win this year in 3 tries. He was second once. That was worth \$1,250, which totals \$8,450.

Last year he brought in \$23,925, winning two races, one of them the Wilson Handicap.

Sammy Boulmetis rode the five-yearold horse.

Bwamazon (M. A. Waldheim) bred him, and C. P. Sanborn trains him.

The Magic City Handicap at Gulfstream on March 10 resulted in one of those upsets that bring sudden silence to the multitude and then scattered soprano screams.

The longest shot in the race won it, Cain Hoy Stable's One-Eyed King. He beat Brookmeade's Encore by a soiled schnozzola, with Better Bee third by a neck, and 2 1/2 lengths ahead of \*St. Amour II.

Encore, the choice at 13 to 5, led almost all the way, only to miss out in the final strides.

Conn McCreary bided his time on One-Eyed King until rounding the final turn, then he came on to collect. The Magic City is at a mile and 70 yards.

The winner, under 108 pounds, was getting ten from the runner-up.

The girls whose ball-point pencils stabbed the right name on the program collected \$60.60 for each \$2, which is \$15.15 for each member of groups of four who put up 50 cents apiece. And who wouldn't scream?

W. C. Stephens trains for Cain Hoy. Captain Harry F. Guggenheim is the owner and breeder of One-Eyed King. The colt, now four years old, is by \*Nasrullah, from Siama, by Tiger. He was scoring his first win and earning his first dollar in 1958. Last year, he won twice and brought in \$19,880.

#### Fair Grounds

The Fair Grounds ended its meeting on March 8 with the Louisiana Derby. The nine-furlors race was won by Reverie Knoll Farm's Fryal Union, the horse with the least experience. The Hill Prince (out of Queen of May, by \*Challenger II)

## PIEDMONT POINT-TO-POINT

#### Saturday, March 29th

To be run over a course directly opposite Upperville Horse Show Grounds, on the farms of Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Randolph and Mrs. Stewart, near Upperville, Virginia

First Race-3:00 P. M.-BACE FOR LADIES. Side Saddle or Astride. Minimum weight 145 lbs. About three miles. Minimum of four starters to constitute a race. A piece of plate to be presented to the owner of the winner.

Second Bace—3:30 P.M.—PIEDMONT PLATE. Open race for heavyweights. Weight 175 lbs.

About three miles. Open to all horses and riders acceptable to committee. Piece of plate to owner of the winner.

Third Race—4:00 P. M.—THE OAKLEY PLATE. Horses to carry 200 lbs. of which only 10 can be lead. About three miles. Open to all horses and riders acceptable to the committee. Piece of plate to owner of the winner.

Fourth Race—4:30 P. M.—BOKEBY CHALLENGE BOWL—Gentlemen—Weight 175 lbs. About three and a half miles. The Rokeby Bowl to be presented to the owner of the winner, to be held for one year; a piece of plate also to be presented outright to the owner of the winner. The Bowl to be kept outright if won three times by the same owner, not necessarily consecutively, and not necessarily with the same horse.

 Horses must have been regularly and fairly hunted during the season. Four starters to constitute a race.

No horse which has raced under Jockey Club or N.S.H.A. Rules during the year prior to this race shall be eligible.

 All riders to be regular followers of a Recognized Hunt, acceptable to the Committee.

For information call MRS. A. C. RANDOLPH, Upperville, Va. 47 or MRS, RESOVSKY, Upperville 253

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### Blue Ridge Hunt Point-to-Point

Nancy G. Lee

Following a stretch of winter which has made it almost an impossibility to train horses, no one could really expect large fields to appear for the annual point-to-points. However, the ninth annual Blue Ridge Hunt Point-to-Point held Saturday, March 8th at Woodley Farm near Berry-ville, Virginia drew very good fields and riders kept their horses moving at a good pace which didn't show too much effect of being shut in for the past few months.

Heading the card was The Joseph W. Lewis Memorial for members of a recognized hunt, this event being run over the about 3 1/2-mile course. Four horses faced the starter and quick to take over the pace setting duties was Mr. Sandy Young on Ferdinand White's Wee Joe. Following in behind him was Mr. B. H. Murray on Mrs. E. Exnicios' Laddie Boy, Mr. William Wetherall on Mrs. William P. Hill's Roman Dance and Mr. C. Smith on Leeway Farm's Bucyrus. Over the 2nd jump Wee Joe was really fencing and by the 3rd, he had increased his lead as Roman Dance now moved into 2nd. Still maintaining a commanding lead, Wee Joe put in such a jump that his young rider "reached for the sky hook" but the pair failed to relinquish any lengths and over the 11th, again Wee Joe stood far

back and landed safely.

After jumping the 14th, the field goes out of sight and around the base of a hill, appearing just prior to jumping the 15th. Wee Joe led over this, followed by Laddie Boy and Roman Dance stood far back, over jumping and losing her rider upon landing. Meanwhile Mr. Smith and Bucyrus had stayed well off the pace, content to trail the field. Roman Dance continued to run with the field and as they approached the 18th she was running to the left of the leading Wee Joe. A patrol judge galloped alongside the field, causing Roman Dance to cut in behind Wee Joe. The mounted judge followed Roman Dance and succeeded in catching the loose horse.

Bucyrus showed the way over the 18th with Wee Joe 2nd and Laddie Boy 3rd. Over the 19th Bucyrus and Mr. Smith continued to hold their lead with Mr. Murray moving well up on Laddie Boy and Wee Joe dropping back. Bucyrus twisted over the 20th and last but no harm was done and the bay gelding by Hoop, Jr. came on to win easily with Laddie Boy placing ahead of Wee Joe. This was two straight for Bucyrus and Mr. Smith as they had gone into the winner's circle at Rappahannock the previous Saturday.

The Clifton Cup

The largest field appeared for the first race, The Clifton Cup for ladies. The start had been moved this year down the fence line and closer to the railroad track and the only objection was that the horses went out of sight immediately after the flag dropped. Back into view, the leader was Mrs. Robert Rogers on Mallory Nash's Gin Rickey, but over the 1st jump, owner-rider Miss Mimi Mills had taken over on Royal Romance, with Gin Rickey now 2nd and George T. Weymouth's Flash B., ridden by Miss Patty Weymouth, 3rd. Over the 3rd, Royal Romance was still heading the field, followed by a hunt team made up of Flash B., T. Taylor's Hand Money ridden by Miss Elliott McElhinney and Gin Rickey. Hand Money went to the top approaching the 4th but at the 6th, Mrs. Rogers had assumed the lead on Gin Rickey, followed by Royal Romance with owner-rider Mrs. H. Nelson 3rd on Hunt Liege.

Approaching the 9th, Gin Rickey was still leading with Hunt Liege and Royal Romance right in behind. Over the 9th Royal Romance headed Gin Rickey momentarily but the latter was soon brought on to take over the pace setting again with Hunt Liege now a close 2nd over the 10th as Royal Romance dropped back to 3rd. Rounding the curve approaching the 12th and last, backers of Gin Rickey had

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#### 62nd RUNNING OF THE

## MARYLAND HUNT CUP

## Saturday, April 26, 1958

The Sixty-Second Annual Race for the Maryland Hunt Cup and the Sixth Race for the Challenge Bowl presented by The Committee of the Maryland Hunt Cup Association will be run on Saturday, April 26, 1958, at 4 P. M., under sanction to the Hunts Committee of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association. Weights: 4-year olds, 150 pounds; 5-year olds, 160 pounds; 6 year olds and upwards, 165 pounds. No sex or half-bred allowance; no allowance for riders, and no other allowance.\* Owners, riders and horses acceptable to the Committee. The race is run over the estates of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Black and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel B. Brewster, Worthington Valley. Entrance Fee \$10.00. Distance four miles.

The Challenge Bowl will be held by the owner of the winning horse each year and will become the permanent possession of the owner winning the Maryland Hunt Cup three times, not necessarily with the same horse nor by successive wins.

\*In determining whether a rider is acceptable to the committee the following general qualifications will apply—

- Rider holding amateur licenses from the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association and those eligible for the same.
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Commencing April 1st, 1958, information regarding the race, parking stickers, press notices and paddock tickets, can be obtained from Mrs. Robert L. Riggs, Monkton, Maryland, telephone Manor 783-R-1 between 9 and 12 A. M.

#### Entries close at 12 o'clock midnight, Saturday, April 19, 1958

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#### FOR HUNCH PLAYERS

In the third race of Bowie's February 8 opening day card were two animals which ought to have proved something for hunch players. One animal was Big Bonus and the other was Tax Collector (what a name to wish on a poor horse). Big Bonus ran second to the stretch trun and took over from there winning by two lengths. Tax Collector, appropriately enough, was chasing him, far back to be sure, but the Collector did move from twelfth (last) to ninth with a good stretch run. If we humans cannot beat the tax collector, it's at least nice to know that some of our equine friends can.

In the fourth race there was what appeared to be a real good hunch play. That was Tax Cut, What with politicians being the way they are and what with 1958 being an election year, a tax cut seemed not a bad bet.

The result of that race could very well foreshadow coming events. Tax Cut ran a good second and then fell far back when the time came to answer the big question in the stretch run. A horse named New Cut won the race if you can make anything of that. R. J. Clark

#### OSTEND HANDICAP

In connection with the World's Fair, which will be held in Brussels this summer, the value of the International Handicap at Ostend, Belgium to be run in August has been raised to \$30,000.

#### IRON CURTAIN THOROUGHBREDS

Columnist Philip Suwall notes that about five years ago the East German Ministry of Agriculture appointed a Dr. Gerecke of Berlin to head Thoroughbred breeding in that country. Because of his activity in purchasing the best West German stock, East Germany is considered to have an excellent chance in the 1959 Hamburg Derby.

#### VIRGINIA RACING STUDY

After squeaking through the State Senate, 18 to 17, the Virginia House of Delegates voted 49 to 36 to make a legislative study of legalized pari-mutuel betting in Virginia, which already has the approval of Governor J. Lindsay Almond, Jr. The study will be presented to the next session of the legislature in January, 1960.

#### WHY SINGLE OUT RACING?

When one columnist quotes the remarks of another, they just have to be good. Chuck Connors recently reprinted the following paragraphs from the column which Morris McLemore writes for the Miami Daily News: "I hold no brief for scofflaws or syndicates that bleed the public purse. Yet, there's no sport or industry that can prosper while bound down by an increasing burden of restructions.

"Florida is the only state where race results can not be flashed to newspapers and legitimate news services immediately after a race. This is subject to question for instance, football and baseball results are just as important to bookies today as horse results and no effort is made to stop their normal flow from ball park to public.

"Play-by-play descriptions of practically every professional baseball game are pumped out to the public and bookies-by radio and television. Likewise with big football games - racing is not allowed this freedom or anything like it.

"Racing authorities and track owners spend millions to stop or at least hamper dissemination of information to bookies. To my knowledge, not a dime is spent thus by other big sports enterprises.

"I recognize racing's sanguinary past causes some people to believe it'll never be 'clean'. Maybe it won't. But the operators of it seem to be making costly and fruitful efforts to do the job.

"If the state is interested in hampering bookies only because their activities deny revenue to the state from parimutuel play at racetracks, then there is no moral issue - but I rather think there is a moral issue involved when laws are broken and there are gambling laws against making book on baseball and football, same as racing.

"We should keep all sports free of the pressures from big and easy money. Not just one sport. Conversely, those who patronize legitimate sports attractions deserve consideration."

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AT THE ANNUAL CONVENTION DINNER OF THE HORSEMEN'S BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION AT THE EDEN ROC HOTEL, MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA FEBRUARY, 1958

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#### WINNER FOR WHITNEY

Ambassador at the Court of St James's, "Jock" Whitney owns a useful young hurdler in the six-year-old gelding Green Light, a son of Signal Light. Second favorite at 3-1 in a field of twenty, he took the Graveley Hurdle of two miles by three-quarters of a length. Green Light is trained by young G. P. Balding, the son of Whitney's polo-playing friend Gerald Balding who had charge of his horses before his death last fall. P.T-C.

#### CANADIAN TRACKS CAN JOIN TRA

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of Thoroughbred Racing Association, the by-laws were amended to permit membership by Canadian race tracks. At the same meeting, Waterford Park, Chester, W. Va., was accepted as a member.

#### TENNESSEE THOROUGHBRED CENTER

Under the leadership of Ed Potter, Jr., of Nashville, Tenn., a new training area, known as the Tennessee Thoroughbred Center, was opened last July about 14 miles from Nashville and is now in full operation. Four hundred acres of land have been leased for 20 years. There is a five-eighths of a mile outdoor track with chute and eight-stall starting gate; a three-eighths of a mile covered track;

and ten 30-stall horse barns with adjacent run out paddocks. There are also dormitory accomodations for 45 grooms, exercise boys, etc.

Mr. Potter is also president of the Thoroughbred Club of Tennessee, a steward of the Iroquois Memorial Steeplechase Meeting and a member of the Hillsboro Hounds,

#### CLAIMER AND MILLIONAIRE

The fascination and romance which people owning race horses was recently well illustrated when Sir Robby, claimed for \$7,500, beat Nadir, winner of the Garden State, world's richest race, last summer, for whom his owner, A. B. Hancock, Jr., of Claiborne Farm, Paris, Ky., is said to have been offered \$1,000,000.

#### OFF-TRACK BETTING

New York's City Council, at a recent meeting, voted 21 to 1, with one abstention, to ask Governor Averell Harriman and the State Legislature to approve a referendum this coming November to legalize off-track betting. Democratic Councilman Morris J. Stein of Brooklyn, who introduced the resolution, remarked: "If it is moral to bet inside the track, it is moral to bet outside." Joseph T. Sharkey, Democratic majority leader of Brooklyn, voted in favor of the resolution because he sees off-track betting as a source of city revenue.

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#### LADY KIDNAPPERS

In an interview with "Little Joe" Notter, who rode the mare Regret when she won the Kentucky Derby and Colin when he beat Fair Play in the Belmont Stakes, Charlie Hatton recounts that Notter was once kidnapped when leaving the Aqueduct Track late one afternoon, by some little old ladies who had mistaken him for a runaway boy relative.

#### WATERFORD IMPORVEMENTS

James Edwards of Audley Farm, Berryville, Va., president of Waterford Park, Chester, West Virginia, has announced extensive improvements to the stable, clubhouse and grandstand area at the track including an outdoor paddock for use on sunny days to supplement the present indoor paddock into which horses can be moved in case of rain.

#### AMERICAN ENTRIES IN FRENCH STEEPLECHASES

The value of the two principal jumping races at Auteuil, France, during the "Grande Semaine" (June 22-29) have been raised to \$30,000 for the four-mile Grand Steeplechase and to \$20,000 for the Grand Hurdle, both of which are run at weightfor-age. Entries (closing May 27) from America are being solicited and the track management will pay transportation expenses.

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#### KEENELAND YEARLINGS

Six hundred eighty-one yearlings, including offspring of nine of the ten leading stallions on the 1957 general sire list, have been entered for the Keeneland Summer Sale of Yearlings, to be conducted July 28-30 by the Breeders' Sales Company.

Now that the deadline for nominations-midnight, March 1 - has passed, sales company officials will begin the task of evaluating the entries. With quality dictating, approximately 400 horses are expected to be cataloged.

With a new summer sales policy of auctioning only 55-60 head a session, an additional selling day - July 31 - is a distinct possibility.

Of last year's ten leading sires, only fifth ranked Bull Lea is without representation among the nominees.

\*Princequillo, the 1957 leader, had eight of his get named for the auction; \*Nasrullah, leading sire in 1955 and 1956 and second last year, had seven sons and daughters entered.

Other 1957 leaders and the number of offspring nominated for the July vendue include: \*Alibhai, seven; Olympia, seven; \*Royal Charger, eight; \*Heliopolis, leading sire in 1950 and 1954, six; \*Khaled, one; Polynesian, three; and Roman, six.

War Admiral, leading sire in 1945, had 11 of his get entered, while Count Fleet, leader in 1951, had eight sons and daughters named.

Three stallions - Hasty Road, Helioscope, and Mark-Ye-Well - whose first foals are now yearlings, had members of their first crop entered. (Hasty Road and Helioscope, both outstanding race horses, were themselves Keeneland Sales yearlings.)

Other outstanding sires, with representatives entered, include: \*Ambiorix, Bolero, Citation, Crafty Admiral, Dark Star, Double Jay, Eight Thirty, Hill Prince, Jet Pilot, Johns Joy, Native Dancer, Oil Capitol, Revoked, \*Royal Gem II, Spy Song, Sun Again, The Doge, Tom Fool, \*Tulyar, \*Turn-to, and \*Windy City II,

Among the consignors who previously have not sold in the summer sale and who have filed entries for consideration are; William I. Goodwin; High Hope Farm (Mrs. Marie H. Moore); Lucian H. McDowell; I. S. Compton; Quincy Farm (Ed Honnen); Riverside Farm (M. Kirk Snyder); and John T. Ward; and James G. Henderson.

#### TEA AND WHISKY

Now bedded down at Gulfstream Park is a four-year-old colt named \*The Box II, which began to stale off badly last year when he was flown to Florida to get in shape for the Gulfstream Derby. Trainer Bobby Cramer remembered that

horses have been known to like beer, wine, or whiskey to perk them up (not all the same horse - some like one and some another). Figuring he might start off with something gentler, Cramer tried tea. The colt liked it and has become a steady tea drinker. He's English.

Just in case you are interested, Melton, winner of the 1885 Epsom Derby and St. Leger, was a confirmed whiskey head. In the Jockey Club Gold Cup the year following his Derby and St. Leger wins, Melton probably would have won except that he was so drunk he staggered from flag fall to wire. The Liberator, winner of the 1879 Grand National, had wine every day for breakfast.

#### 1957 RACING TOTALS

According to the Annual Statistical Report of Mrs. A. E. Smith, secretary of the National Association of State Racing Commissioners, the 1957 figures for Thoroughbred racing were: racing days, 3,120; attendance, 28,906,298; pari-mutuel handle, \$2,236,890,219; revenue to state governments, \$168,045,374; and stakes and purse distribution, \$74,627,304. With harness, Quarter Horse, and fair meetings included, the totals were: racing days, 5,187; attendance, 41,365,265; pari-mutuel turnover, \$2,937,452,735; revenue to state governments, \$216,747,621; money distributed in stakes and purses, \$97,903,078.

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GALBREATH GETS INTEREST IN RIBOT

Acting through Frank More O'Ferrall, of the Anglo Irish Agency, of London, John W. Galbreath of Darby Dan Farm, Lexington, Ky., has acquired one-quarter of all the seasons to Italy's great horse Ribot for 1959 and 1960. He also has an option for the same number of services in 1961 and an option to buy the horse if he should ultimately be sold.

#### \*PRINCEQUILLO'S DOUBLE

Sons of \*Princequillo, who stands at A. B. Hancock, Jr.'s Claiborne Farm, Paris, won stakes on both coasts on Jan. 25 by the simple expedient of outsprinting their opposition all the way.

At Hialeah Park, Happy Hill Farm's five-year-old gelding Kingmaker led for the entire 1 1/8 miles of the \$25,000 added Royal Parl Handicap to prevail by 2 3/4 lengths.

And at Santa Anita Park, Kerr Stable's four-year-old colt Round Table showed the way for the whole 1 1/4 miles of the \$100,000 added Santa Anita Maturity to score by 4 1/2 lengths. F. T. P.

#### FOREST RETREAT MATINGS

Dr. Eslie Asbury of Cincinnati, Ohio, who maintains the Forest Retreat Farm, has made an outstanding record among the consigners to the Breeders Sales Company summer vendue at Kenneland ever since that organization came into existence. His matings are therefore of particular interest to students of bloodstock breeding. The list for this year is Egretta (Ramillies - Polly Egret), the winner of 3 stakes, in foal to Polynesian, booked to \*Nasrullah; Brownian (\*Sickle-Brown Biscuit), has 3 stakes to her credit and the winner of over \$100,000, a halfsister to 4 stakes winners, in foal to \*Nasrullah, booked to \*Nasrullah; In Bloom (Blue Larkspur - Gala Belle), a sister to Revoked, in foal to Count Fleet, booked to Battlefield; Late Shade (\*Alibhai - Evening Shadow), a halfsister to Shadows Fall the dam of Old Pueblo, in foal to \*Windy City, booked to \*Windy City, Insouciant (\*Nasrullah -Gala Belle), a stakes winner holding the record for the Ashland Stakes, in foal to \*Alibhai, booked to Polynesian; Elsewhere (\*Alibhai - Band o' Green), the producer of 3 stakes winners out of 4 foals, in foal to Eight Thirty; \*Snow Flight (Bois Roussel - Wintergreen), her dam being a sister to the dam of Citation,

a stakes winner in England, in foal to Revoked, booked to Count Fleet or Hill Prince: \*Top Curl (Hyperion - Frizette line), in foal to \*Nirgal, booked to Craft Admiral; \*Tuna (Big Game - Seaway), her dam holding the title of the best filly of her generation, a stakes winner in England, in foal to \*Our Babu, booked to Oil Capitol; Castanea (Menow - Brown Biscuit), owned by Dr. Taylor Asbury, a sister to 4 stakes winner and to producer Koubis. Her first foal, Nooredin, given 108 pounds on the 1957 Experimental Handicap in foal to Citation, booked to Hasty Road; Dalal (\*Mahmoud - In Bloom), a good winner and placed in stakes, in foal to Tom Fool; Petit Bleu (Blue Flyer - Lask), a stakes winner, her first foal to race a winner, in foal to Hafiz, booked to Count of Honor; Elysium (Olympia - Brownian), her first foal, a yearling colt by \*Windy City, in foal to Intent, booked to \*Our Babu; Whirlalea (Whirlaway - O'er the Lea), placed in stakes, in foal to Hasty Road, booked to Hill Prince; Belle Rebelle (Count Fleet - Gala Belle), placed in stakes, in foal to Battlefield; Lebkuchen (Hill Prince - Brown Biscuit), owned by Mrs. James H. Stone, winner of the Selima Stakes and a sister to stakes winners, booked to Tom Fool; Evening Shadow (\*Bull Dog - Etoile Filante), placed second in the Spinaway and the dam of Hampden, booked to Nahar; Gala Belle (Sir Gallahad - Bel Tempo), the dam of 4 stakes winners, booked to Nirgal; Brown Biscuit (Sir Andrew -Swing On), a half-sister to Seabiscuit and

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dam of stakes winners, booked to Count Fleet; Tea Olive (Eight Thirty - Rare Bloom), holder of the Saratoga record for 5 1/2 furlongs and placed in stakes, booked to \*Daumier; Blue Bloom (Menow-Blue Skimmer); Crouton (Bull Lea -Brown Biscuit, a winner, booked to Revoked.

#### FROM ABROAD

#### MELD SLIPS FOAL

Famous as the winner of three Classic races in England, Lady Zia Wernher's Meld has lost her second foal, a colt by Never Say Die, whose value had he lived must have been incalcuable.

By Alycidon out of Daily Double, Meld was unbeaten at three years, winning all her four races to a value of 42,562 pounds. Her first foal, now in Ireland, is a colt by the defunct Nearco. P.T-C.

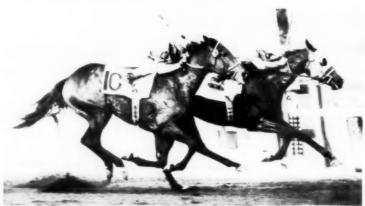
#### McKNIGHT BUYS FROM IRELAND

Bought by W. L. McKnight of St. Paul, Minnesota, the Irish five-year-old colt Son of the Morning has been flown across the Atlantic.

By Arctic Star out of Overboard, By Xandover, Son of the Morning is a grey who won once at two years and scored again five times last season to earn a total of 1,523 pounds. His successes at four were gained at 6 - 9 furlongs and he is likely to be campaigned in Florida.

#### HYPERION'S INDEX

In commenting on the lifetime average earnings index of Lord Derby's great stallion Hyperion, J. A. Estes, after reviewing the years 1938-1957, gives him a lifetime index of 4.10, saying "With the exception of St. Simon's figure of 4.75, this is the highest index on record for a stallion in service for so many years, either in Great Britain and Ireland or elsewhere." The leaders of the British-Irish list for 1957 are two French horses, Prince Bio with 9.59 and \*Norseman with 9.07.



A. G. Vanderbilt's home-bred 3-year-old black filly by the \*Bahram horse, Stone Age, out of Balking by Balko, winning the first division of the La Centinela Stakes over C. Worley's Madam Chuck, during the Santa Anita meeting. "The name of the black filly?" "STUMBLING BLOCK, what else?" (Santa Anita Photo)

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#### STOLE THE RING

The 3-year-old filly Stole The Ring (Bull-Page-Casa Camara), current favorite for the Canadian classic the Queen's Plate on the basis of her undefeated record last year as a 2-year-old, will not be a starter in that race according to Miss Blanche Armstrong, who leases the filly from her breeder, W. F. Morrissey. The difficulty is that Mr. Morrissey and Miss Armstrong are currently involved in a lawsuit with the Ontario Racing Commission which strenuously objects to the names of some of the Morrissey Thoroughbreds although these have been granted by The Jockey Club and approved by the Canadian Livestock Records association. The controversial monikers are Stole the Ring, Rabbit Mouth, Into the Grape, Red Nose Clown, Hot Ice and Irene's Orphan. The lower Ontario Court ruled that the Commission could not require the names to be changed, but the Ontario Supreme Court has sustained the Commission, Mr. Morrissey is taking an appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada. Mr. Morrissey and Miss Armstrong will not enter the filly in the Queen's Plate because of the possibility that the entry may be refused.

#### MIDWAY FARM MATES

Frank Conklin of Midway Farm, Brantford, Ontario, believes that the very best stallions are the cheapest when it comes to mating the 16 broodmares he maintains on his farm. The horses to which they are now in foal or to which they will be bred this spring include Polynesian, Mark - Ye - Well, \*Alibhai, Your Host, \*Rico Monte, Rejected, Nashua, Ponder, Crafty Admiral, Battlefield, Citation, Blue Man, War Admiral, Eternal Reward, \*Orvito, Duke's Lea, and Blue Swords.

#### **NEW JERSEY**

#### N. J. STAKES WINNERS

The New Jersey Breeders' Digest, official publication of the Thoroughbred Horse Breeders' Association of New Jersey, reports that five Jersey-breds were winners of six prominent stakes races during the 1957 racing season. These included Keswick Stable's Wendasy (f. 1955, by Your Host-Rampart, by Trace Call), who won the New Jersey Breeders' Stakes and the Marguerite Stakes. Close on her heels was Bernadotte Stables' Kapitor (f. 1955, by Okapi-Tora, by Orthodox), winner of the New Jersey Futurity, and stakes-placed in the Mermaid Stakes and the Home Bred Handicap.

Edward Seinfeld's Decimal (h. 1952, by Slide Rule-Granheart, by Granville) won the Toboggan Handicap, bringing his total earnings to \$90,215. Derby, Bernadotte Stables' mare (now six) by Doublrab-Cherry Quest, by Alphitheatre won the Ocean City Handicap, in which William G. Helis, Jr.'s Pearl Prince (g. 1954,

by Attention-Depth Pearl, by Valdina Orphan) was second. Kapichan (f. 1954, by Okapi-Marchan, by Blensign), also owned by Bernadotte Stables, won the Miss Maryland Stakes.

Mrs. William E. Snell's My Warrior (c. 1955, by Greek Warrior-Win My Way, by Coldstream) was triumphant in the Home Bred Handicap and second in the New Jersey Breeders' Stakes.

#### 100% TORA

Charles F. H. Johnson, Jr. of Bernadotte Farm, Tinton Falls, N. J., is the fortunate owner of Tora (Orthodox-Princess Thor, by Ximenes), 100% producer. Everyone of her foals to go to the races had been a winner. During the course of her stud life she has been bred to \*Flushing II, The Doge, Attention, Doublrab, \*Isolater, Okapi and Faultless. Barren this year she is to be bred to Career Boy, owned by a syndicate of which Mr. Johnson is a member.

#### FLORIDA

#### TOP FLORIDA BREEDER

The Florida Turf Writers Association has named Carl G. Rose, of Ocala, Fla., as the man who did most for Florida breeding in 1956-57. Rose is currently president of the Florida Breeders Association and is largely responsible for making known the suitability of the Ocala area for raising race horses.

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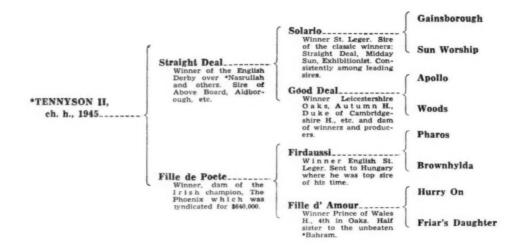
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### My First Hunt in England

Fred Sailor Harvey

When we went to live in England for a year I naturally looked up my old friend Hugh Fitz-Hamilton. He was currently a Master at a boys' school near Reading in Berkshire. But he came up to London for frequent week-ends. So we often got together for a few drinks at his club or for dinner at our flat in Chelsea while we reminisced of days in the Near East when he had been a King's Messenger and I a Commercial Traveler.

Subsequently I had heard of his entry into Scotland Yard and his sudden exit (by request) after a brief stay. Hugh had worked rather hard at being a gay blade. Now in England a fellow simply cannot maintain any standing as a blade unless some of his blading is done on horseback, preferably in the hunting field. So Hugh's conversation was well larded with casual references to weekends of hunting in Ireland as breaks in the monotony of the regular hunting in Berkshire.

The introduction to such remarks quite often ran like this. "You really should have been with me at Blatherskite, Fred. My word what a run we had." At first I was content to reply, "I wish I had been there. When are you going again?" Later I began changing it to a blunt, "Only one reason for my absence - I wasn't asked." Finally one day I said flatly, "What the Hell goes on, Hugh? You've been promising for months to ask me down for a hunt. I'm ready. When do I come?" Such crudeness really stumped him and he babbled, "Why any time at all, old man, any time you say." My reply was, "I say next week-end". So we fixed the train he was to meet at Reading on Friday morning.

My old hunting equipment scraped by Hugh's critical checking, with only a few passing remarks on the odd tailoring of the black coat, the strange shade of the pink breeches and the extraordinary cut of the black boots. Only one item was missing. Impossible to appear without a silk "topper." He opined that I was spoofing when I suggested that my folding opera hat might get by. So I agreed to seek out a hatter before our Friday rendezyous.

Scotts, at the corner of Bond Street, thought it unfortunate that I could not wait to have a hat custom built to the unusual contours of my head. But they agreed to do their best with steaming,

twisting and molding one of the stock models. My wife thought it looked very elegant. Our Dutch nurse said I could be an important politician, maybe the Prime Minister. The baby left a sticky hand print on the furry silk. I agreed with my wife.

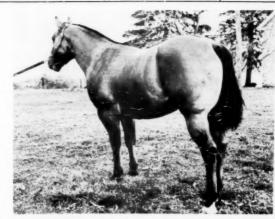
I cannot recall whether the train for Reading leaves from Paddington or Waterloo Station. But it was nice to be leaving from any London station for a week-end hunt in the Shires. It sounds so completely right. And it is. I was glad to see it was not a corridor train. If I could find a compartment with some likely prospects for conversation we might have a pleasant trip to Reading. There would be no interruptions and they could not possibly escape. I close a compartment with two very tweedy occupants, he with a checked cap and walrus moustaches; she with a slab of brown felt on her head and

lorgnette dangling on a chain. They were on opposite sides, but I managed to bump them both with my heavy bag. My cheerful apologies brought only slight twitchings of their bodies as he unfolded the Times and she a paper-back novel.

So, through the car windows, I jumped alone over every fence and hedgerow between London and Reading. Some were quite formidable and produced tight spot in the pit of my stomach. After some two hours of speedy cross-country chasing I looked out on the Reading platform and found Hugh waiting. He said it was a fine day for scent. Just the proper amount of overcast, without dripping, and no bothersome sunshine. We drove straight off to the school in his sporty little car. It had had something to do with his exit from Scotland Yard, but I never heard exactly what.

Yes, he had got our horses all right. Hired from a stable that often supplied mounts for visitors to the South Berks Hunt. No, there would not be time to try them out. We would barely have time to change and get to the meet on time. But he would guarantee them sound and able to cross the country. I was a little surprised that he did not have his own hunter and judged that his family had been reducing his allowance.

There was a cheerful coal fire in the grate at his rooms. It smelled like a Continued on Page 14



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#### First Hunt in England

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Southern Railway engine going through a tunnel in Kentucky. But it banished the bleakness of the bare school corridors. While we changed clothes boys kept popping in to bring his Lordship his boots freshly shined (three demerits cancelled); his clean stock from the laundry (one demerit forgotten); and finally our packages of sandwiches from the kitchen (four demerits off if the sandwiches proved good). The boys' faces shone with adoration.

Hugh's horse was a rather handsome black. But he acted like a puller and I don't like pullers in strange country. Mine was also pulling as he was led out, but backwards. He was a dirty, rusty roan and his conformation seemed confused. But by the time we had hacked a mile or so I grew quite fond of him. He began to act as though he also was looking forward to something.

The meeting place was by an old

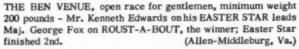
five shillings in my pocket and dropped them in the bag. I thought it ample for that purpose, but he looked a little odd as he thanked me and rode on. Hugh was busily engaged with two young female members of the field, but I interrupted to tell him what had happened and to be sure I had done nothing wrong. He was aghast. "Oh my word. That really tears it. He was asking for the capping fee, of course. You should have put in two quid at least." I had expected Hugh to handle the capping fee and horses and let me settle later. But he was always short of cash. So I sheepishly followed round after the secretary until I caught him alone, apologized for my misunderstanding, and put three pounds in his bag. He kept insisting (quite nicely) that I was a guest and the few shillings contribution would have been all right.

During the first run the field got widely scattered by taking different sides of a grove of trees and a line of high fence. Hugh and I were well back at seemed to be a sharp drop, with a little shine of water somewhere.

The Master took it in a high arch while we were still far to the rear, both horse and rider as smooth and supple as if made of rubber. A few followed him over, but others started wheeling toward an open gate far down the bank. Hugh shouted, "Shall we try it?", but I couldn't answer. I had already picked out a beefy looking man on a heavy bay horse who had been jumping everything in awful style, but perfectly clean. They looked like a nice comfortable pair to land on if we piled up.

The roan was excited and pulling now. But I held him back to a safe distance behind my leader and got ready to kick his ribs. There was no need. The bay chose a low open spot in the hedge, cleared it smoothly and disappeared. The rider was lying back in his saddle with feet close to his horse's nose, in true Henry Alken style, I tried to do the same when I saw the awful abyss on the far







THE RAPPAHANNOCK BOWL - W. G. Eastham's YELLOW ROSE, Gordon Fishback up leads J. W. Fletcher's Katie, Oliver Dodson up. Yellow Rose was disqualified for losing a weight pad. Katie was the winner. (Allen-Middleburg, Va.)

vine-covered brick building where three or four wandering lanes came into a hub. The area was restricted and the twenty or so riders were rather crowded together. I wished there were more room. That many strange English hunting people are quite appalling on one's English hunt particularly when mounted on an odd looking hired horse. The hounds, whippers-in and the Master were off to one side in a grove. There was awe in Hugh's voice as he indicated the Master, Sir William Mount, Bart, I think I have never seen a more ideal picture of a fox hunting English gentleman - tall, lithe and rangy, handsome in features, with florid windburned face.

I was lost in pleasure at the picture when the secretary of the hunt, to whom Hugh had introduced me a few minutes earlier, spoke to me. He was holding out a little black velvet sack and I barely caught some word about fee. It seemed probable he was asking for contributions to the Wire or Damage Fund so I found

the rear where visitors belong. He motioned me to follow him and whispered, "I know a short-cut. We'll get up to the front. His short cut led us first into wire where we had to dismount. Then through a thorn thicket and down a stony brook, which we had to wade on foot. We could hear the hounds having a perfectly wonderful run somewhere. By the time we caught up the fox had gone to ground and hounds were off drawing another covert. Hugh was in a black mood from my not too gentle needling.

I think it was during the second run that I first met up with an English bank and ditch. Till then the jumps had been only moderate stone walls and hedges which the rusty roan had managed with no trouble. My confidence in him, and myself, increased at every jump. Then I saw this thing coming, at the foot of a long down-hill slope. It was a high turf bank, probably not more than four feet high, but with a row of scraggly thorn hedge on top. And on the far side there

side. But you can't change your jumping style in mid-flight. We floundered a bit on landing across the shallow brook. Then I suddenly realized we were galloping to join the select group of eight or ten who had made it. A very prideful feeling. I dropped back to rejoin Hugh whose handsome black had refused. He was in a decidedly bad humor.

We had lunch on a high knoll overlooking the country in three directions. Everyone just pulled out the bulging packages of sandwiches and downed them in business like fashion and we were off again. Hugh's flask seemed inordinately email.

It would be nice to report that in the afternoon the roan continued his sterling performance. But I cannot, We were galloping at a good pace through an open pasture. Not a stick, not a stone, not a hole. Yet the roan stumbled. He went right down, tail over head and I must have been under him - now and then. The

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## A Southerner Hunting in Canada The Toronto North York Hunt

**Dudley Clark Fort** 

There were many guests present visiting at the Royal Winter Fair. Hounds met at Mr. Edgar Burton's home at King, Ontario, about 25 miles north of the big city of Toronto on Sat., Nov. 23. Through the graciousness of Joint-Master, Mr. Robert (Bob) Elder, the writer of this article, Uncle Dudley, was mounted on an imported Irish horse by the name of Chestnut Charlie. Let me add that Bob Elder is one of the most lovable characters I have ever met and a real fox hunter. Now for you fox hunting readers who are still with me let me ask this question, "What greater thrill could you have than six hours in the saddle through beautiful rolling country on a willing horse that will take any obstacle he is pointed at?" Well, for the record Uncle Dudley was mounted on such a horse and what a great experience. My first hunting experience in Canada, I viewed the hunted fox and four deer and for my hunting friends in Northern Virginia let me say hounds did not even attempt to riot when they crossed the deer's line. Most unusual, I will admit. There were 35 in the field due partially to the fact that the Hunt Ball ended at approximately 4 a.m. Saturday morning.

Digress with me just a minute and let me say a word about Simpson's, the large department store that turned over their swanky dining room for the Hunt Ball and how beautifully it was decorated where over seven hundred people danced and ate and generally made merry. The Duke and Duchess of Beaufort were there, Colonel and Mrs. Mike Ansel, Mrs. George Mc-Cullough, and Lady Eton as well as the Masters and needless to say too many others to name, else I offend some sweet one. I met the most attractive companions from Winnepeg, London, and Montreal and came away with a great deal of affection for our Canadian cousins.

Back to the hunt. The two Joint-Masters, Colonel Clifford Sifton and Mr. Robert Elder were present and before the field moved off Colonel Sifton said, "Due to the snow, use good judgement in crossing the frozen places as judgement is the better part of valor," and I thought to myself nobody here has much judgement or they wouldn't be here in this freezing weather with snow on the ground.

Needless to say, I don't know the various places we went, but on several of the high rolling hills with the wind blowing I was reminded of the Quorn hunt in Leicestershire, England. My remark as we went through some of the woodland country was that this reminded me of Kentucky and my birth-place, Tennessee. The fences were not high, which really makes it more enjoyable for everyone and there is a great deal of open country which makes it nice for galloping. Why I am always the last

one to come in from a hunt is a mystery to me. As Honorary Whipper-In Lou Scott and I hacked home, we saw all the lakes and ponds frozen over and we remarked how smart the others were to get in before us, as by now it had started spitting snow and the wind was right out of the North Pole. After getting our horses loaded into the vans we gathered in Bob Elder's Cadillac for refreshments and conversation. Fortunately my supply of O-Be-Joyful was adequate to acquaint most of my Canadian horse loving friends with its flavor. On a cold day it is something you just can't hardly beat.

It was my pleasure to be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Robinson at Aurora the previous Saturday and see the hunt move off. Having ridden up in the car with Gordon Pass from Preston, Clarence Robins from Welland, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Voss (he's MFH of Elkridge Harford at Monkton, Md.) to the hunt, our horses arrived late and we completely missed the hounds but Gordon insisted we have a round or two over the tricky Hunter Trials Course at the Robinson's. This we did. Mr. Doug Cudney's father was to lend me a horse to hunt on Thursday where the Duke and Duchess of Beaufort were the honorary guests at the home of the charming Mr. and Mrs. Harold Crang. He is Vicepresident of the Royal Winter Fair. On this day there were 12 M.F.H.'s present. Here I saw again Mr. Wilbur Ross Hubbard,

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Saturday February 1, 1958 a bye-day at the Island Farm for visitors from the Plains, Virginia and for Bill Battin who came out after the Master's dinner Friday evening. A big hare moved across in front of us at the north end of the farm and gave us a straight and fast run to Gearharts air strip. Later a Jack from the cedars took us on a slow circle around the Pidcock

Sunday February 2, 1958 from Mr. Clarence Dillon's Stable we had a medium sized field. A very big hare was found at the Van Deventers, but after two fields, hounds checked on the road near John Pierrepont's house and we were unable to recover the line. A second brown hare, found just west of the Dillon house, took us very straight and fast to the brook back of Ruth Scott's where a herd of deer broke up this hunt. Going back to pick up a Jack

#### Radnor Hunt

J. Stanley Reeve

Nearly seventy-two years ago, - the 20th of September 1886, to be exact-the Radnor Hunt was granted a Certificate of Incorporation in the Delaware County courts, and for the first quarter century thereafter the majority of its fox hunting was done in that county. With the advance of so-called civilization, however, combined with the growing pains of the fashionable Main Line District, the Club and its hunting activities eventually moved further westward to its present delightful location a few miles south of Malvern.

Like most successful organizations, the Radnor Hunt had its beginning in a rather quiet and modest manner, but the surnames of its first officials and masters are as well known in the world of sport and affairs today as they were nearly seventy-five years ago, when Mr. Horace B. Montgomery was elected the first Master of Hounds.

Early Meets

Inconceivable as it may seem today, Mr. Robert E. Strawbridge, Jr., has a lovely painting of the Radnor Hounds meeting at Penn Cottage on Montgomery Pike, Narberth, in the long ago, and during the mastership of the late and muchbeloved Mr. Charles E. Mather (the father of Gilbert Mather of the Brandywine Hunt. and President of the Master of Fox Hounds Association of America). These Radnor hounds found a fox at Dove Mills on Mill Creek at Bryn Mawr, and put him to ground under a gravestone in West Laurel Hill Cemetery; all of which reminds one of the intelligence and affection foxes apparently have towards the Huntsman and hounds who pursue them. For many years Radnor was fortunate in having Will Davis as Huntsman, who came to the Club from a Stag Hunting Pack in England, and showed most excellent sport. Shortly after his death hounds found a fox along the Darby Creek at Lawrence Mills and pushed him with great cry and pace straight up coun-



Tewksbury Foot Bassets moving off from a meet at Farley's Grove (L. to r.): Hal Fales, II; John Ike, Jr;

J. S. Jones Joint Master and Huntsman; Miss Margaret Wemple Honorary Whipper-in. (Richard A. Meek Photo)

which had been viewed earlier near the corner of the golf course, we hit off the cold line and ran down along the edge of the Green House Covert to Mrs. Whitney's, then through the covert where the jack was viewed away by Cliff Starrett across the old road near the abandoned Hoy Farm. Hounds hunted nicely on through the pine plantation and through the West Freeman Covert, out the South side near Sherrs, across the Bedminster-Lamington Road with only a slight check, and on across the Eld property where the Jack was viewed a second time. They carried the line to the edge of the H. Fowler covert where we stopped them well after dark - having had a very nice hunt of one hour and twenty minutes.

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Johnnie Mather

One of its first Huntsmen was a great character named John Mather, familiarly known as "Johnnie". There were very few blood horses in the field in those far off days, and most of their socalled hunters did their turns between the shafts, taking their owners to the railway station on non-hunting days. But these sturdy beasts did long hours three or four times a week. John Mather loved to tell of a stout fox they invariably found at the Tryon Lewis bridge on Saturdays, that whenever he heard hounds coming in his direction always pointed his peaked mask northward, and all the field had to do was to take the shortest route possible across country and the Pennsylvania Railway to the King of Prussia, and wait on a hilltop there and watch their hounds bring their fox and mark him to ground in a nearby pile of rocks.

try, and marked him to ground in the little cemetery at Broomall under a marble cross next to their old Huntsman's grave.

It was not at all unusual fifty years ago for a Radnor fox found in the vicinity of "The Eagle", on the West Chester Turnpike to lead hounds and their sobbing pursuers as far west as White Horse or Sugartown; and many foxes found in Fairy Hill and Delchester have taken the Radnor field to Glen Mills and far south of the Baltimore Pike.

The Field

Many prominent gentlemen from various walks of life have been followers of the Radnor hounds, including the late actor, John Drew, who had many Philadelphia affiliations and who invariably had a few hunts with these hounds while playing in town; Henry S. Page, the prominent race

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rider of a couple of generations ago, - who always wore a monacle in his right eye took a most frightful-looking fall one day in Snake House Woods, only to come up smiling with the glass still in place; Admiral Lord Beatty, of World War I fame, not only distinguished himself over the Radnor country in March 1921, but had the honor of having a stout-running dog-fox named after him.

The writer remembers the late Mr. William M. Kerr one day at the Racquet Club in Philadelphia, figuring out on a map the distance we had ridden the day before with a fox from Fairy Hill. Including the distance one's horses had travelled to the meet and home again over the roads at the end of the day, we had covered well over seventy miles. Such distances seem quite incredible today, and in fact they are, owing to the hard roads and motor cars. Horse vans and trailers of the present time have eased the situation on horse flesh, but sad to relate, poor Reynard still has to travel on foot.



Types Of Hounds

The Masters of Radnor, however, have not always seen eye-to-eye as regards the best type of hound for their particular needs. From 1883 until 1900 their hounds were of the typical American type, under the regime of Mr. Charles E. Mather (1887-1901) who later established the Brandywine Hounds. While at Radnor he decided to import hounds from the Belvoir Kennels in England, and became so enthusiastic over the English type that he resigned the mastership to move farther west and established the pure-bred English pack at Pocopson on the Brandywine.

In 1901, Mr. John R. Valentine, in taking over the responsibility of the Radnor Kennels, was the prime mover in starting the celebrated Radnor Cross-bred Hounds that gave such excellent sport through the regimes of Mr. W. Hinckle Smith (1907-1909); Mr. Horace B. Hare (1909-1914); a Hunt Committee in 1914; and of Mr. Benjamin Chew in 1915. Mr. S. Laurence Bodine carried on during the years of the First World War, when Mr. Horace B. Hare again assumed command until 1929, at which time the Board of Governors decided to discard the crossbred pack and installed the so-called Penn-Marydell type of hound, under the mastership of Mr. M. Roy Jackson. At Mr. Jackson's death in 1944, Mr. Walter Stokes most successfully hunted the country until 1955, since which time it has been under the able supervision of Mr. Henry L. Collins, Jr. (Reprinted from Chester County Day News, Oct. 5, 1957).

#### British Horse Shoeing

The number of shoeing smiths in Great Britain is becoming smaller and smaller, and those few still funsctioning have practically no apprentices. The few rural forges still active are mainly concerned with mechanical work. There are few horses kept for agricultural work and those young men who have followed the ancient calling - so vital to rural economy - have no interest in horses, horseshoes, or feet. Although horse-shoes and shoeing might occupy a considerable part of the smith's time prior to the petrol age, he had many other strings to his bow. In his not very complimentary essay R. S. Surtees, after referring to the old-time farrier-cum-vet,

"In consequence of the distribution of veterinary surgeons through the country, we have got a better set of working smiths - men with some idea of the anatomy and delicacy of a horse's foot, and not fellows who wrench and cut and hammer and tear, as if it had no more feeling than a vice or an anvil. The old country smith would do anything set a limb, shoe a horse, make a key, mend a gun, sharpen a ploughshare, or prescribe for horse, dog, or cow.'

Even with the high price now charged for a set of shoes village lads can easily obtain more money, shorter hours and much less exhausting work than they would in a draughty rural smithy.

There are still a few agricultural work horses kept. There are vanners, lots of hunters, and an increasing number of children's ponies - in fact there is a revival of riding enthusiasm. But even so it is a difficult matter in some districts to get horses shod, and the probability is that it will soon be impossible. Racing stables are less affected as they either have their own smiths, or provide sufficient work to keep a local forge busy and efficiently staffed. Some argue that patent shoes, made to clip on, might be used by horsemen and horsewomen, who could act as their own smith. This will not work. More futile is the suggestion that horses and ponies could be ridden without shoes. Not on our English roads!

The great sporting artist and horse lover, Sir Alfred Munnings, the other day expressed indignation that something is not being done at once to ensure more apprentice shoeing-smiths being fully trained, with a certainty of adequate pay for their skill. He said:

"I continually see pictures of hounds and riders trotting behind them, and men and women at Hunt balls. They all remind me of Nero fiddling whilst Rome was burning. All Masters of Hounds and Hunt committees should search out likely youths to be trained as blacksmiths in their own area."

The cold old village forges; the dirtylegged, awkward-to-deal with farm horses leaning all their weight on the man shoeing them; the difficulty of getting bills paid when charges were a quarter of what they are now; and the much better wages and conditions in towns, have all resulted in country smithies being without apprentices, or having youths interested only in mechanical work. The position of those who keep horses is thus becoming more and more difficult.

#### British Stag-Hunting

In a recent issue of the British "Field" is an interesting article by John Coleman Cooke, a member of the Exmoor National Park Committee. Commenting on the recent uproar raised by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals against the Devon and Somerset Staghounds he says: "One of the ironies of the present conflict is that the gap between hunting as a means of control and any alternative method that may be devised is so narrow that, if the mounted followers of the Devon and Somerset Staghounds were termed wardens, then the rousing, the pursuit and the despatch of a selected number of deer in their proper season would be accepted as the best means of preserving and controlling the wild red deer of Exmoor."

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### Denver Coyote Hunting in 1902

Early, early in the morning - or, if you prefer, in the middle of the night before so much as a hint of dawn streaks the horizon, two or three horsemen canter as quietly as possible up a residence street on "the hill".

One of them leads an extra animal, a well-built polo pony, with a side saddle upon his back.

Silently the group draws up before a house set in trees, and the M.F.H. gives a mysterious whistle. An answering light gleams in a window on the upper floor, and the group out under the cold, crisp starlit sky possesses itself with patience while a nipping wind searches for the weak places in their riding clothes. Two more riders come up, one of them a woman, young, athletic, vivacious, exchanging "good mornings" with a joyous wideawakeness belying the hour. One of the party glances up at the window and looks at his watch with the aid of a match. \*\*Three twenty-seveni That young woman has just three minutes grace, and if she doesn't come then - I"

But she does come, with a full minute to spare, and a bag of sandwiches to tuck into the saddle bags. She vaults lightly to her saddle, and the party of three or four men and a couple of intrepid women are off on a fifty-mile jaunt and a day of the chase that lasts from 3:30 a.m. until nearly midnight.

The coyote, made famous by Seton-Thompson, is one of the fleetest animals that run, and the best time to find him is just after sunrise and just before sunset, when he comes out to sing his morning and evening song, and to get his regular meals. During the day he may occasionally be spied skulking along the base of a hill, or sunning himself on its warmest side, but he is abroad for depredation early in the morning. As the nearest coyote hunting ground is twelve or fourteen miles from Denver it behooves the collector of coyote pelts to get up early in the morning and to be in that neighborhood in time to see the sun rise.

Wild Cat mountain is a favorite coyote lair. When a number of women are to be in the party, arrangements are usually made to take the early train to Littleton, sending the kennelman and hounds on ahead the night before with the lunch wagon. But when Miss Marion Holloway was here last winter, with all the ardor born of cross country riding in the East and in England, she, with her brother Sidney and Miss May Cordes despensed with the train more than once, starting before daybreak from their own front doors. Sometimes they stopped at farmhouses for a comfortable meal, sometimes they carried sandwiches on their saddles and once or twice they were known to go all day long without a bite to eat, or even a thought of it.

Charles McA. Willcox, D. B. Turner, George Lillie and H. R. Guggenheimer frequently get into their "range" clothes after business hours on Saturday and head for the hills with no definite destination in view. They bring up at some ranch where the owner makes them welcome after a few explanations. Ten to one he has heard of them before, from his neighbor over the range, and has been waiting

"They certainly treat us royally," says the man who usually heads the procession. "They feed us on fried chicken and pumpkin pie and gingerbread; we generally have something in our saddlebags to hold up our end of the refreshments; and they'll sit swapping stories until after midnight. When we turn out before daylight in the morning we usually find our new found friend saddling up his ranch pony to go along, and he keeps up with the procession in good shape, even if he hasn't got a and sometimes it is necessary for the sportsman to come up and take a hand in the finish."

It is wild, free, rough riding over, a natural country from the word "go". Once a coyote is sighted all limitations are slung to the winds. The rider spares neither himself nor his horse. There are no fences to clear nor ditches to beware of, but there are prairie dog holes, short, sharp hills to go up and down again, with long stretches of cactus strewn country that adds zest to the natural interest in sticking to one's horse.

Miss May Cordes, Mrs. Harold Loross and Miss Ruth Murchison are the most indefatigable followers of the hounds among the young women of the club. Mrs. George Beckwith is the most enthusiastic member, by far, but of late years has given up hard riding and confined herself to driving, and to the encouraging and coaching of the younger set. It is to Mrs. Beckwith's lead that the prospect of a permanent home for the hunt club is due. Last year she offered to build a club house



Master of the Orange County (Va.) Hunt, Charles G. Turner and Mrs. William Crane photographed prior to one of Orange County's meets. (Hawkins Photo)

Thoroughbred to do it on.

"The best way to get a coyote is to watch along the sky line until you see one streaking along. Likely as not he has seen you first; that is your cue seemingly to pay no attention to him, striking off at a tangent, and rounding up on him afterwards. You'll nearly always get him with fleet dogs. Sometimes he is a fierce fellow, who will hold off three or four greyhounds until the staghounds come up and finish him off.

You catch a coyote from sight, not scent. The greyhounds have to be held in the wagon until given the word to go. The chances are about even with a good coyote and fleet hounds, and they'll always give you a run for your money. One of the hounds is trained to catch the animal by the flank, another grabs him by the throat. His shaggy hair is so thick the dogs can't hurt him except at the throat,

if a suitable location could be found and enough active members gotten together to make the venture worthwhile. At last accounts the vicinity in the neighborhood of the site of Jarvis Hall, the Episcopal school that was burned down last year, was deemed the most practical for all pur-

The reason we did not bring our hunt club plans to a focus during the past year was mainly because the men felt they could not take a day off from their business merely for recreation. The Master of the hounds must, of course, be a comparatively free man. General Hale, Mr. Turner, Mr. Willcox, Mr. Lillie, Mr. Kuykendall, would either of them make a most popular M.F.H.

Miss Lillian Hurd is one of the best turned out women on a horse in Denver. She sits her horse beautifully, looks exceptionally well in her new English habit,

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#### Friday, March 14, 1958 Beaky

## Beaky The Puppy Walker

At Constable Burton Hall - a Yorkshire country house with many hunting and bloodstock breeding traditions - there are always Bedale Hunt puppies at walk. This year Solon and Sonnet are there, and, like Softly and Solemn, and other now mature hounds, they are kept both in exercise and entertainment by a large marmelade - coloured neuter cat named 'Beaky'. He looks upon foxhound puppies as his annual charge and responsibility as well as his daily companions and playmates. Long-suffering, and quite prepared to stand a good deal of roughish gambols, he plainly indicates when size weight and numbers make some games an unequal contest. If broad hints and a bit of sparring are insufficient to terminate attacks, there is hurried flight to a handy tree or wall-

But 'Beaky' is very experienced with young hounds and knows as well as a kennel huntsman how to discipline them. He should really be invited to every Bedale puppy walk and be made an honorary member of the Hunt for his services as custodian and trainer of a succession of young entries to the local Hunt. He has, year by year, kept hounds out of some of the mischief into which most puppy walkers find they get. It was Will Ogilvie who wrote of puppies which -Broke the commandments and stole and slew

And covered the lawn with a varied

Of fowl and feather and bone and boot, And scratched in the garden a hundred holes,

And wearied our bodies and damned our souls.

But the poet had not a marmaladecoloured cat with a knowledge of and love for young foxhounds like 'Beaky' Bannister! J.F.B.

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and has a polo pony to be proud of. Mrs. Stephen Whitney leads over the hurdles, and Miss Freddie Le Fevre is not only good form but absolutely fearless. Miss Cordes is more for cross country than she is for show. Mrs. Lomas comes in under both classes, being one of the best riders sportswomen in Denver.

Of the whips, Mrs. Harry J. O'Bryan, Miss Parmelia Curtis and Miss LeFevre have the most blue ribbons. Miss Curtis drives a dark bay gelding to a yellow and black covert cart and shares with Miss LeFevre's brown gelding and red and black covert the honor of the best horse and appointments.

Not one of these expert huntswomen, riders or drivers owns an automobile, or

is suspected of even a secret longing for one.

(Reprinted from The Denver Times: December 25, 1902. Contributed by Lawrence C. Phipps, Jr.)

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beautiful new silk hat was an awful mess and I felt quite uncomfortable in spots. A groom who had dropped behind to help, boosted me back on the horse who seemed to take it as a normal event of the day. But the rest of the afternoon is quite hazy in my memory, except the final quarter hour. Sir William rode back and announced that he would take hounds home in a few minutes. Then, as he trotted back toward the head of the field, he stopped to enquire if I was all right. I assured him nothing was broken except my new hat. He rode along with me for quite a way and told of his hunting in Virginia. I hoped he would try Ohio if he came over again and told him something of the country. We parted, most cordially.

Hugh had been out of earshot and when I dropped back to join him he growled, "By Jove you Americans are cheeky. Here I've been hunting with this blasted pack for two seasons and feel lucky if the Master even says good-afternoon. You drop in for a day and completely monopolize him for a half hour."

The next morning in London we called the doctor when I found it almost impossible to get out of bed, He came as usual in cutaway, striped trousers and silk hat. He put me in a corset of adhesive to hold the broken ribs in place and bandaged the bulging ankle. For a week I walked with a cane while making my business calls in "The City". When I explained casually, "just a little hunting accident", some only said, "Sorry", and dropped the subject. But quite a few seemed ready to hear details which I gave, most willingly. The ribs healed with only two bumps like hickory nuts. But the trouble is there are so few people who see or feel one's ribs. Only rarely does one have the opportunity to say, "I got those lumps during my first hunt in England and I'll tell you just how it happened."

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M.F.H. of Mr. Hubbard's Kent County, Chestertown, Md. Due to the snow my horse did not arrive and it was my pleasure to be invited by Mr. and Mrs. Barry Collard, the head ringmaster, to spend Wednesday night with them so as to be close to the hunt on Thursday morning. It was a great sight to see this magnificent hunt move off. The head trainer for the Irish Olympic Team, who was luckier than I because he had a horse, rode up and said, "Uncle Dudley, I wish you were mounted, as I would show you some real sport and I would get some mud on your back if you followed me." He suspected me of coming a cropper, no doubt.

This hunt was a great one, in fact the secretary's wife, Mrs. Ron Gooderham, Mrs. Mike Ansel, Mr. Barry Collard and I viewed the fox with hounds hot on its brush. It was a thrilling experience to be with Victoria Ansel and Eve Gooderham and I wished Yvonne Collard could have been with us also, but she had invited the Irish Olympic Team, the Gordon Passes, the Don Hargraves, the Clarence Robins, our veterinarian friend, Dr. John Gilray, her mother, Mary McMullen, who is the most to say the least, and me to come to her home for a turkey breakfast following the hunt.

The chairman of the entertainment



The Rose Tree Hounds meet at William H. Frantz' Tremont Farms, near Media, Penna. Shown here are Joint Masters of Foxhounds, William C. Elliott and John H. Richards, Jr., along with Huntsman M. F. Heller and First Whipper-in Edward Pegler. Huntsman Heller is celebrating his 25th year of hunting the Rose Tree Hounds.

committee and his wife, Eve Gooderham, made everyone feel welcome at the breakfast at the Tudor Room of the Royal York Hotel. It was my pleasure to be with Mrand Mrs. Neville H. Evely, the Insurance executive and his good riding wife from Toronto. I was seated with Mrs. Palethorpe, the mother of Dawn who rides on the British Olympic Jumping Team, Judge and Mrs. Brickenden from Montreal and Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Mayorga from Buenos Aires, who are both members of the Argentine Olympic Jumping Team.

I wish you could have all seen Mike

Ansel, head of the British Show Jumping Association, sitting on Waterfall Thursday evening in the warm-up ring just before the \$1,500.00 "McKee Working Hunter Stake" (Mr. John W. McKee, Toronto). It was the first time he had been on a horse in approximately ten years. In spite of his blindness, nothing stops him.

Tommy Gayford and his wife, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lou Scott, put in many good rounds. She has the lightest hands of anyone I have ever seen and both are superb riders. Mr. and Mrs. G. Nelson Smith's horse, Pepper Knowes, was the champion Green Hunter. They are the owners of the Brookland Stables. Gillian Smith invited me to the champagne party in her tackroom after the night show. Southern atmosphere was essential to this Canadian party, thus I brought my Confederate Flag, cotton on the stalks from a Georgia plantation, and my seventeen hands 2 1/2 horse, Waterfall, to the celebration party. If you could have seen Gillian and two other crack riders at 1:30 a.m. sitting on top of Waterfall, bareback, with a halter on, all very frivolous, you would agree with me that tackrooms are the places where you have the most fun. Mrs. Jane Messler of Pittsford, New York had just bought Acapulco from the Mexican Jumping Team and about that time he came up, so he too was properly christened with champagne.

Mr. Fred Pickford, huntsman, had complete control of as fine a pack of hounds as it has been my pleasure to hunt behind. The pack consisted of 18 1/2 couple of English Fox Hounds and if anyone doubts they have plenty of tongue all they need do is to be with them. Their cry reminded me of Ben Hardaway's private pack at Columbus, Georgia, because he, too, has some heavy speaking hounds.

The country is very well paneled with chicken coops, post and rails, and natural snake fences. In all it is a wonderful hunting country and it was a great thrill for this cotton picker from the Deep South to have been there. Thank you'll.





#### 1957 C.H.S.A. Zone II Champions

Blue Beau, owned by E. H. Coad, Aurora, Ontario, was Jumper Champion of the Canadian Horse Shows Association's Zone II (Ontario) with an outstanding score of 234 points over A.B.C. Farms Black Velvet with 120 points.

Blue Beau has thus established himself as one of the greats among Canadian Jumper ranks of all time. In recent years the brown gelding, bred in Ontario and sired by Blue Yank, has been the most formidable performer at all shows he has entered. To earn again the Zone Championship over his greatest rival, Black Velvet, unquestionably makes his name one that will long be remembered after his jumping days are over. Still in his prime there is no indication that Blue Beau will not be performing for many years to come.

Blue Beau first started his career as the personal hunter of R. H. Rough. On discovering his wonderful talents, Mr. Rough felt he should be shown as an open jumper. As his own interests are primarily hunters and hunting he sold the horse to F. H. Coad in order that the horse have a chance to fully use his talents, which he has done so well under his regular rider, Tom Gayford.

Conformation Hunter Champion was the consistent grey mare Valley Sign, Genesee Valley-bred, owned and shown by Miss Elaine Boylen, Toronto, who also owns Thou Swell. Reserve Conformation Hunter was London, Ontario's Mrs. Barbara Ross Spencer's Chain Ladder, a coming young Canadian Thoroughbred by Bunty Lawless.

Champion Green Hunter with 140 points was the Scottish-bred Thoroughbred Pepper Knowes owned by Mrs. C. Nelson Smith, Thornhill, Ontario. Reserve with Ross 104 points was Mrs. Barbara Spencer's After Image.

Double Crossed, big black Thoroughbred Working Hunter came through for owner-rider Lt. Col. Charles Baker to win the Zone Championship over R. L. Treleavern's consistent Khoranette from London, Ontario. Double Crossed won the Working Hunter Championship at the Royal Winter Fair which helped him to out point the widely shown Khoranette.

In the Junior ranks biggest lead for any championship was scored by Susan Scott, Markham, who had 56 points for Hunter Seat Equitation under 14 years over Penny Robertson's 28 points. Caird Wilson, Maple, Ontario, won the 14 to 18 year championship with 14 points to Taddy Matthew's 12.

High scoring Pony Hunter with 30 points was Lady Simcoe, owned by Bill Holbrook, Ancaster, Ontario. Another successful Ancaster owner was Brig. D. Whitaker's the Big Blonde, which carried his daughter Gail, to tie for the Junior Jumper Championship with Mischievious, owned by Sam Stanley, Maple, Ontario. Each had 18 points over J. C. Cakebread, Jr.'s Cadmus with

Caird Wilson, in addition to winning an Equitation award, also tied for the Junior Hunter Championship with her My Nancy Dey's Lucky Lady from London, Ontario also scored 18 points. Reserve was Moffat Dunlap's Dilmon with 12 points. Broadview

GREEN HUNTER CH: Pepper Knowes, Mrs. C. Nelson Smith. RES: After Image, Mrs. Barbara R. Spencer. CONFORMATION HUNTER CH: Valley Sign, Elaine Boylen. RES: Chain Ladder, Mrs. Barbara R. Spencer.

WORKING HUNTER CH: Double Crossed, Lt. Col. C. Baker.

RES: Khoranette, R. L. Treleaven. JUMPER CH: Blue Beau, H. Coad.

RES: Black Velvet, A. B. C. Farms.
JUNIOR HUNTER CH: (tied) My Qua, Caird Wilson & Lucky Lady, Nancy Dey.
RES: Dilmon, Moffat Dunlap.
PONY HUNTER CH: Lady Simcoe, Bill Holbrook

JUNIOR JUMPER CH: (tied) Big Blonde, Brig. D. Whitaker, Mischievious, Sam Stanley.

RES: Cadmus, J. C. Cakebread, Jr. EQUITATION, HUNTER SEAT (14-18 yrs); Caird Wilson. RES: Taddy Matthews.

EQUITATION, HUNTER SEAT (Under 14 yrs); Susan Scott, RES: Penny Robertson. SUMMARIES:

Green hunters - 1, Pepper Knowes, Mrs. C. Nelson Smith, 140 pts.; 2. After Image, Mrs. Barbara R. Spencer, 104; 3. Sea Quart, Mrs. Tom Gayford, 80; 4. Tweedle Dee, Sam Stanley, 64.

Conformation hunters - 1. Valley Sign, Elaine Boylen, 132; 2. Chain Ladder, Mrs. Barbara R. Spencer, 110; 3. Thou Swell, Elaine Boylern, 96; 4. Baywood, Mrs. A. B. Conron, Working hunter - 1. Double Crossed, Lt. Col. C. Baker, 66;

2. Khoranette, R. L. Treleaven, 60; 3. Colleen, L. J. Mc-Za knoramette, A. L. Treicaven, 30, 3. Content, 2.3, McGuinness, 46, 4. Rocket, Major G. Gayford, 42.

Jumpers - I. Blue Beau, H. Coad, 234; 2. Black Velvet,
A. B. C. Farms, 120; 3. Dilmon, Moffat Dunlap, 92; 4.

Yankee Wonder, Robert Elder, 76.

Junior hunter - 1. (tied) My Qua, Caird Wilson, 18, Lucky Lady, Nancy Dey, 18, 2. Dilmon, Moffat Dunlap, 12; 3. Little Boots, Gail Heath, 10. Pony hunter - I. Lady Simcoe, Bill Holbrook, 30.

Junior jumper - I. (tied) Big Blonde, Brig. D. Whitaker, 18, Mischievious, Sam Stanley, 18; 2. Cadmus, J. C. Cakebread, Jr., 16; 3. (tied) Steelworker, Dinny Burns, 12, Decoy, Major G. Gayford, 12; 4. (tied) Sugarfoot, Lynne Kerr, 10, Rob Roy, Jane Holbrook, 10.

on, hunter seat, 14-18 yrs - 1. Caird Wilson, 14; 2. Taddy Matthews, 12.

Equitation, hunter seat, under 14 yrs - 1. Susan Scott, 56; 2. Penny Robertson. 28: 3. Gail Heath. 24.

#### West Hills Hunter Trials

The Annual West Hills Hunter Trials held on March 2nd drew a long list of entries for one of the area's few shows held over natural type country. Most interesting competition of the day was the Weat Hills Challenge Cup, held over a two mile course with time the deciding factor. The cup, to be retained perman-

ently, must be won three times by the same rider. Competition was keen and fans were rooting loudly for their favorites. Fastest time was turned in by Miss Rosalind Johnson who covered the two miles in a fraction over 1 minute and 30 seconds, thus winning her second leg on the coveted trophy. Most hair-raising class of the day was the Open Jumpers, an event whose main feature seemed to be spills. Ken Nordstrom on his Northlight captured the blue, with Curt Counts and Hellta Pay coming second, the only two horses to finish the class without either falling or being disqualified for one reason or another. Working and qualified hunter classes drew many entries from among regular hunting members of the West Hills Club who did credit to the "hunting crowd".

WEST HILLS HUNTER TRIALS

CORRESPONDENT: Evelyn Hill. PLACE: Rolling Oaks, Calif. TIME, March 2 JUDGE: Mrs. J. J. Kessler. SUMMARIES:

Junior working hunter - 1. Bar Patch, Marianne Bakers Barbie K, Janet Harding; 3. Milady, Julie Carmen; 4. June Bug, Alan Cobham.

Novice jumior jumpers - 1. Danny Boy, Pat Carmen; 2, 60 Per, Sue Palmer; 3. Lucky Penny, Judy Peek; 4. Bay Breeze, Iill Donnelley.

Maiden working hunters - 1. Sweet Shuffle, Leslie Bullock; 2. Mr. Elas, Valerie Frances; 3. Bar Patch; 4. Confusion, Alice Keys.

Novice jumpers 1. Contender, Don Burt; 2. Bali Hai, Pam Reynolds; 3. Johnny Apollo, Toni Wheatley; 4. Little Lich, Jolene Larour.

Open jumpers - 1. Northlight, Ken Norstrom; 2. Helita Pay, Curt Counts.

Pairs of hunters - 1. Dina D., Harry Simington, Mahagony Lady, Cory Wakley; 2. Pocket Tapper, Carol Mack, Pal Play, Dick Mott; 3. Big Red, Sharon Benson, Silverton, Al

Play, Dick Mott; 3. Big Red, Sharon Benson, Silverton, Al Davis; 4. Mr. Elas, Johnny Apollo.
West Hills challenge cup - 1, Sunny Lanai, Rosalind Johnson; 2. Johnny Apollo; 3. Bali Hai; 4. Private White, Alan

Open working hunters - 1. Johnny Apollo; 2. Gallant Knight, Sigrid Merz; 3. Confusion; 4. Mahogany Lady. Qualified hunters - 1. Velvet , Paul Crockett; 2. Private White; 3. MacGreggor, George Burnes; 4. Bay Breeze.

#### Dressage Horses

It is interesting that among dressage horses Thoroughbreds are coming more and more to the front in Germany. Herr Boldt's St. Georg and Frau Linsenhof's Monarchists are Thoroughbred, Brillant, who was so successful both in Hannover and Berlin under Herr Schultheiss, is another Thoroughbred, by the former Derby-winner Organdy; the horse himself ran third in the Germany Derby. He is now generally regarded as one of the candidates for the 1960 Olympics. Tintoretto and Memor have been with Herr Schultheiss only four and seven months respectively, but nevertheless gave beautifully polished performances in Berlin. Five-year-old Memor comes from Waldfried, a well-known German stud, whereas Tintoretto was bred in Baron Thyssen's Erlenhof stud. Before the latter started his dressage career he had some successes on the turf, winning the last 2 out of 9 starts and coming in second in another 2. There can be little doubt that one is going to hear a lot more in the shows to come of these beautiful acquisitions of Herr Schultheiss' training centre in Hamburg. R. Sch.

## Curing A Grand Horse Of The Heaves Time, Diet And Careful Attention Save A Fine Horse From Being Put Down

Margaret de Martelly

Several years ago, my husband and I were confronted with that phase in our son's life which is known as the transition period from pony to horse. Simultaneously, we were offered a middle-aged Thoroughbred, with the modifying statement that, though quite unsound, he was willing, quiet and a tremendous jumper. It was a chance, but we accepted him, sight unseen.

The afternoon that he arrived the countryside school bus docked at our gate, discharging a vast number of volunteer "test pilots". I was first, however, as I had not yet recognized the horse and I wanted to sound him out.

To my profound sorrow I found that he was capable of less than a dozen trotting strides, before he was all but devastated by the most advanced case of heaves I had ever seen. His cough was dreadful. After my discovery, the tack was removed and a very dismal afternoon ensued.

Very shortly thereafter, our good friend, Major Henry Bate came hacking by. After a touching reunion with the horse, he at once recognized as Colonel, I too recalled that I had known him for years, but was unable to recognize him because of his illness.

On account of the glorious record of this horse, we decided to have a whirl at his rehabilitation. His papers show him to have been foaled at Galt, Ontario, April 8th, 1932, at the West Point Farm of H. T. McLaughlin. That name, incidentally, was also mine before my marriage, which seemed to make me related to Colonel.

With little to lose and much to gain if we won, we began to review all of the tricks we had heard. Mental research was made in retrospect, from the Number Seven Stables at Fort Leavenworth, through the years spent in that vast labyrinth, the American Royal at Kansas City. We re-hashed old wives' tales and stories gleaned from that horde of nomad grooms who drop in at an estate and work for a season, then vanish. All of it was thrown into a melting pot which threatened to outdo the cauldron of MacBeth's witches.

We sifted it all and selected our program. Within a very short time, the heaves vanished. That was three years ago. Colonel has hunted every season and has no trace of heaves. However, during the first season we made one mistake which was nearly fatal, although at no time did we precipitate a return of heaves. We kept him too long on feed having a bran base, which affected his kidneys for a time.

Our first step was to soak his hay in water. He was fed no hay except timothy. He showed improvement at once. Next, we took him off of oats completely. He was fed a wet mash of wheat bran and cracked corn and as much of it as he would eat. He was kept from water, except in his stall. Into his water, we put one ounce of salt petre or nitre each day. Twice a week, he was given a handful of Glauber's salt. (Salt petre in the crystal form and nitre the liquid form of the same chemical formula). He was not allowed to graze on clover or alfalfa. His stall door was left open and he was allowed to go in or out at will, night or day. He grazed continuously on meadow grass.

All of this was the result of a tedious process of trial and error. Yet the reasoning behind it makes sense when explained.

There is a violent disagreement as to the cause of heaves and, also the potentialities of relief measures. Having watched the process of recovery in no less than three afflicted horses, subsequent to our own successful experiment, our conclusion is that there are two types of heaves. One is organic, which may or may not react to treatment. The other, which always reacts, is the result of an allergy which can be cleared up by changing the diet. Both types have identical symptoms. Permanently affected organs are enlarged and there is no known way to reduce them to their normal size. The horse's sides are distended, which is the only visible enlargement, but a fluoroscopic examination might show that the heart is enlarged. These enlargements, while they are discouraging, are still not final, since one of the horses mentioned here, had these symptoms.

The affliction is usually associated with disorders of the digestive functions which are induced by a food allergy. Sometimes a horse with a damaged heart will grow heavy, but often these two causes are closely related, in that a damaged heart is brought about by indigestion. Alfalfa and clover hay, damaged hay, dusty or bulky feed and poorly ventilated stalls can produce heaves. Heavy horses usually have weak kidneys. This interferes with the function of gastric juices but kidney disorders respond to treatment and correct diet. Indigestion quickens the heart beat and soon the animal has heaves. The symptoms, usually evident after exertion, are violent exhalation in two distinct jets and a supreme engagement of the abdominal muscles to assist weakened pulmonary organs. This muscular effort is noticeable in the flanks and is usually

accompanied by a distressing cough. Old time horse dealers always looked for the "heave line" which resulted from overdeveloped muscles in the flanks. This line runs lengthwise low on the horse's sides.

A horse with heaves should never be over-fed. He should have small amounts of highly nutritious feed. Prepared horse feeds that are sold commercially are excellent because they contain molasses, have a high mineral content and are not too bulky.

In extreme cases, however, even these feeds might be wrong, because they contain oats. In no case should they be fed for too long a period because they have a bran base. Bran is a powerful "scourer-out" and if fed too steadily, it sometimes causes the horse's urine to become bloody. This was our mistake. In desperation, we put the horse back on oats, which in turn, proved a valuable experiment because the heaves did not return and the kidney ailment disappeared.

There are many ramifications to the foregoing course of treatment, but there are equally as many potent factors which contribute to the condition. It therefore seems wise to attack on all fronts at once, in order that recovery might be expedited.

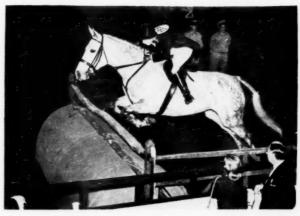
In the light of experience with three horses, all of whom recovered, the following facts are all-important, Correct diet and the complete absence of dust are necessary. The correct diet for each horse must be arrived at, through tests and experiments but oats, clover, alfalfa, damaged or dry, dusty hay, most frequently constitute the allergy which produces heaves. Feed must be sustaining but never bulky. It must be fed frequently, in small amounts rather than a total ration at once. There must be no riding or exercise for at least half an hour after feeding. Wet hay, wet ceral, a light well ventilated stall and plenty of outdoors, even in cold weather all combine to form the basis of recovery. Salt petre or nitre and Glaubers' salt are the best medicines.

(Editor's Note: The Colonel about which the late Mrs. de Martelly writes so instructively in diagnosing a cure for heaves was once a very famous Canadian hunter. He won many ribbons at Madison Square Garden, where he was bought for \$5,000. At the de Martellys, he has been known to stop to nibble grass and then, from a standstill, hop over a 4'6" panel. He was a hunter for Louis de Martelly, a hackfor Louis, Jr., a ride for babies and ribbon winner in Corinthian classes. His cure was worth the effort. This article first appeared in the January 6, 1950 issue of The Chronicle at which time we had numerous requests for extra copies. It was reprinted in our January 15, 1954 issue and in the past several months we have had a number of letters asking us for copies of the article, which led to this reprint.)

## 1957 Canadian Zone 2 Champs



PEPPER KNOWES, owned by Brooklands Stables, ridden by Brian Herbinson, champion green hunter 1957, Zone 2, of the Canadian Horse Shows Assn.



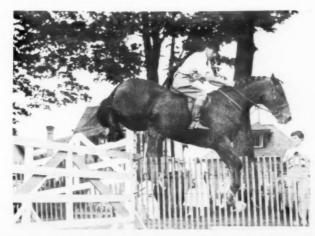
Owner-rider Elaine Boylen up on VALLEY SIGN, conformation hunter champion for 1957, Zone 2, of the Canadian Horse Shows Assn.



Bill Holbrook's LADY SIMCOE, champion pony hunter of Zone 2, of the C.H.S.A.



E. H. Coad's BLUE BEAU was the 1957 jumper champion of Zone 2, Canadian Horse Shows Association.



Sam Stanley's MISCHIEVIOUS, co-champion, with Brig. D. Whitaker's BIG BLOND, of the junior jumper division of Zone 2, for 1957.



Miss Caird Wilson, whose mare MY QUA won the junior hunter division, was winner of the equitation award, hunter seat (14 to 18 years) for Zone 2, C.H.S.A.

### Berlin's Mounted Border Patrol

Ernie Weatherall

The vanishing traditions of the old cavalry are still preserved by the Berlin Command's 287th MP Company's Horse Platoon, the last mounted police troop in the U. S. Army.

Though the platoon is better remembered for its colorful guard mount and the ribbons won during recent Berlin horse shows, its daily job is to patrol a remote section of the border between the American sector and the Communist East Zone.

Besides riding border patrol, the mounted police also make their rounds of the Army dependent area much to the delight of the small cowboys who live nearby. They often hoard lumps of sugar for their favorite horses from the 287th's stables.

Platoon leader of the mounted police is 23-year-old lst Lt. Jeff G. Roberts of North Carolina who used to do a lot of riding back home prior to his Army days.

"Most of our boys are from the West," he explained, "But one of our best riders, Pvt. Nicholas J. Sacchitella, is from Rochester, N. Y. Before coming here the only horse he rode was on a merry-goround."

The big city boy won first place during the recent horse show and was awarded the much desired Bronze Medal of the German National Riding association.

"Actually, we ride European style, not the way they do out West, where the boys ride as though they were a part of the horse," Roberts said. "We have to convert them and its like teaching a race horse to become a trotter."

Though the horse platoon may seem like a glamor outfit, the boys put in more



Patrolling the border between East and West Germany.



PLATOON TACK ROOM (Stars & Stripes Photos)

hours than most other units. Roberts pointed out that for every hour riding it takes about 2 1/2 hours of preparation.

"Each man has to take care of his mount from grooming to sometimes sitting up with the animal when it is ill or injured," he said. "You just have to like horses or else you don't cut the mustard with this outfit."

To keep the ranks of constantly rotating horsemen up to strength - there are 41 men - Army replacements in USAEUR are screened to see if there are any exrodeo or even Sunday park riders among them.

"They are first interviewed by our CO Capt. Gordon D. Rowe and then sent over here," Roberts explained. "Those we pick start at the very bottom - on the stable detail. If they last that out they usually make the team."

Of the 31 horses in the troop, only one -Reno Rake - is an American animal. Truly an "old war horse" Reno placed first in the last horse show during the jumping event, but suffered a heart attack later. Though now recovered, his jumping days have probably ended.

"All our animals have serial numbers and are carried on the property records," Roberts pointed out, "The quartermaster keeps us supplied with hay, feed, saddles and other equipment,"

There is one difficult item to obtain, Robert said. That is riding boots for the troops, an item no longer purchased by the quartermaster since the last cavalry unit was disbanded.

"There is a dwindling supply here in a Berlin warehouse," he said, "but there are no odd sizes, Actually it is easier to find a rider to fit the boots than boots for the rider."

(Reprinted from The Stars and Stripes).



Lt. Jeff G. Roberts, commanding officer of the Berlin Command's 287th M.P. Company's horse platoon with two of his men on border patrol duty.





### Epic Feats in the Saddle

J. L. Forster

It was left to the twentieth century to record the most epic feat yet performed in the saddle when the late A. F. Tschiffely rode from Buenos Aires to Washington. Rider and horses traversed Argentina, Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador, Colombia, Panama, Costa Rica, Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico and the United States. Each district presented its special obstacles, and every possible change of climate, of altitude, or vegetation was encountered. Risks from wild beasts, reptiles, savage blood drinking fish, half a score of fevers, were run; and death from hunger, thirst, sun-stroke, freezing, drowning, or a slip on a track above a sheer precipice, was ever at hand. Sometimes the human adventurer was gravely ill, but the horses, Mancha and Gato, whose names are now world-renowned, were never sick or

Tschiffely crossed the Andes twice at over 15,000 feet elevation; traversed deserts where the temperature was 110 degrees Fahrenheit and waterholes from 50 to 90 miles apart; rode through the vast jungles of both South and Central America from the southern limit of Capricorn to the north of Cancer; negotiated swamps, quicksands, rivers in flood, skirted precipices and safely passed through chasms, and, what was worse, crossed the embryo bridges spanning them; passed unhurt through several civil wars, and nearly came to grief on the motor- infested highways and slippery roads of civilised America. Yet he arrived triumphant with the same two animals he had started with, after riding for two and a half years.

Lieut. Peschkof

For sheer endurance the great ride accomplished by Lieutenant Peschkof, of the Russian cavalry, before the First World War, stands very high among feats of horsemanship. In Tschiffley's case one of his worst enemies was heat, in that of the Russian he was battling against terrific cold all the way. Peschkof had to cover 5,100 miles from Eastern Siberia to what is now Leningrad, and his mount was nothing more than a rough Siberian pony of only 13 hands. The track for the most part lay over a roadless, snowcovered waste. The rider used a clumsy Cossack saddle, nearly double the weight of an English saddle, and, since the weather

was bitter, he was forced to wear heavy clothes. He weighed over 140 lbs.

The pony's pace was an ambling trot, averaging seven miles an hour on good ground, but in deep snow only three miles an hour. At each military post the animal was examined, and it arrived at its destination perfectly fit. The day's journey, on the average, was 37 miles, but when conditions were favourable between 55 and 60 miles were sometimes covered. In all the trip took 20 weeks and, considering the state of the roadsor rather their absence - and the fact that the temperature sometimes dropped below zero this is regarded as one of the world's greatest rides. The Russian authorities, at any rate, recognised it as a notable feat, for Peschkof was personally received by the Tsar, decorated, and promoted to captain.

Marco Polo

A ride in some ways comparable with that of Tschiffely was performed by the Polos, with young Marco Polo, during the thirteenth century. The distance was about 10,000 miles, and the travellers arrived in Pekin after a journey of approximately three years. Conditions. however, were somewhat different from those in which Tschiffely and Peschkof found themselves, for they rode alone, whereas the Polos were attended by an armed retinue, and they had an "open sesame" in the form of the "Golden Tablet," passport of the Great Khan, which meant they were given every assistance along the route.

Roger Pocock

Turning to more modern days again, Roger Pocock, remembered as the founder of the Legion of Frontiersmen, had a notable ride to his credit. He wished to establish a new record for horseman-To do this he journeyed from Fort Macleod, Alberta, to the City of Mexico, 3,600 miles, in 200 days at the beginning of the century. Pocock was helped by various bands of the Robber's Roost gang of outlaws during part of the ride; then he had to climb 3,600 feet of the Canon Dores, never before surmounted by a horseman. The rider also encountered undesirable thrills when passing through a territory where a minor war between cowboys and Mexican

frontier guards was waging.

Kit Carson

An even more notable feat stands to the credit of Kit Carson. He had to take military despatches from the Missouri River to Los Angeles in California. The distance was 4,400 miles there and back, and the route lay not only across the Great American Desert, but also through country held by savage Indian tribes at war with the United States. In spite of these dangers he delivered the despatches safely and returned to his starting point without mishap.

Charles XII

For sheer endurance and speed the ride of Charles XII of Sweden has few In 1709 he had been defeated by Peter the Great, after which he was held as half-prisoner, half-guest by the Sultan of Turkey for some years. He received a report of the serious state of affairs in the north, with a warning that if he did not return home he would lose his kingdom. He set off from Demotiak (Dimetoka) with Swedish troops and a Turkish escort, on September 20, 1714. But his progress was slowed down by elaborate feasts and receptions along the road, so he determined to continue the journey incognito.

So at 11 p.m. on October 27, he left Pitesci, 36 miles west of Bucharest, with two companions his Adjutant-General von Rosen and Colonel During, on horseback, each provided with a led horse. Twice they lost their way in the mountains, and after Budapest no riding horses were available, and the party had to travel by carriage as far as Vienna, which was reached on November 2. There they obtained fresh mounts, and changing

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horses frequently they made their way along the Danube to Regensburg - Nurnberg-Hildesheim, reaching Stralsund on the night between November 10 and 11. They had covered the distance of 1,050 miles from Vienna in eight days, an average of over 131 miles a day. It should be noted that von Rosen did not reach Stralsund until later. The travellers had not had a proper night's rest for 15 days and Charles XII's legs were so swollen and the wound he had received in his left foot at Poltava was so painful after the ride that his riding boots had to be slit open from top to bottom before they could be removed.

**British Colonels** 

Charles, of course, changed horses frequently, and because he did not do so the marvellous ride of Colonel Smith later Sir Harry Smith - in 1834, is just as outstanding. When Governor of the newly-made province of Natal he rode from Cape Town to Grahamstown at the beginning of the Kaffir War a distance of 600 miles, in six days over rough country and all on one horse. In the same class is the great ride of Colonel Charles Townley, one the "Knights of the Silver Greyhound," that is, a King's (or Queen's) Messenger, according to the reigning Sovereign. He rode, bearing a vital despatch, in October, 1849, from Belgrade to Therapia, 820 miles in five days and 11 hours. His gallant ride is commemorated in the "History of the King's Messengers."

Caesarius

A ride nearly as creditable is recorded by Gibbon in his second chapter of the first volume of "The Decline and Fall." In the time of Theodosius (Roman Emperor of the East 378-395 A.D.), Caesarius, a magistrate of high rank, went post from Antioch, the ensuing evening, and arrived at Constantinople the sixth day about noon. The whole district was 725 Roman, or 665 English miles. Whether he used a chariot part of the way is not stated. At any rate the ride is tribute to the excellency of the Roman roads, and Caesarius was undoubtedly able to obtain fresh horses which were main-



Tommy Knight Jr., up on Bumblebee. This combination won the 1957 Lead Line Trophy of the Assn. of Maryland Horse Shows. This annual award is donated by Mrs. W. Graham Boyce in memory of her good pony Sugar Lump. (Freudy Photo)

tained at short intervals.

John Nevinson (or Nicks) was a highwayman with many good points to his credit. He policed the Great North Road so well that travellers might pass along it in safety so long as they paid him certain dues and when in prison, faced with appalling punishment, he refused to save himself at the price of betraying his friends. In 1676 he committed a felony at about 4 a.m. on Shooter's Hill, lying between Woolwich and Eltham, and to establish an alibi crossed the Thames by ferry, and made for York by way of Chelmsford, Cambridge, Huntingdon, and the Great North Road, riding a mare of extraordinary speed and endurance. He reached York in time to change his clothes and to be seen on the bowling green ("as if he had been an inhabitant of the place, not a traveller"), between 7:45 and 8:15 the same evening. The distance was about 240 miles, and he used no other horse except the wonderful bay mare. The rogue talked to the mayor in such a way as to make him remember the day of the month, and he also took occasion to ask him the time, It is true he did not escape suspicion, and was prosecuted but the "jury acquitted him on a bare supposition, that it was impossible the man could be at two places on one and the same day."

Defoe's account of the affair.
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#### Trail Traffic

Patti A. Reiss

Sometimes our bridle paths and trails are more dangerous than our country's many roads and highways. I suppose people think because they are on a horse they don't have to follow any rules in regard to the other horses and riders in bridle path traffic.

There is nothing more annoying than riding side by side with a road hog. That's the rider who lets his horse crowd you off the road, banging your ankle with his stirrups and jabbing his toe into your horse's ribs.

Those people who think wild Indians are a thing of the past need only to take a ride on a bridle path to see them come alive again. I'm referring to the person who rents a horse for an hour or two and wants to get his money's worth. He's a rider you have to watch out for. He races down the trail at full speed, yelling his lungs out, not caring how much he upsets the other horses that he tears by.

Of course there's the rider who thinks his horse is a baby. He's our friend who talks contineously to his horse calling him "baby doll," "honey lamb," "sweetie pie." That sort of gets on your nerves after awhile.

Oh yes, I almost forgot the so-called equestrian who's afraid of every move his horse makes. You know, the fellow that doesn't want to canter because there's a highway ahead and he might not be able to stop by then.

These are the kind of horseback riders one often meets on the trail that makes riding an ordeal instead of the joy it is intended to be. They are the headaches you find in bridle path traffic.



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### Argentine Racing

Joe Hernandez

been completed on the Argentine turf by Carlos Quagline and his staff of analysts of "el turf Argentino."

These details are at hand to back up with facts a year of commuting between my home base of California, and the steadily improving Republic of Argentina, in the quest of Thoroughbred horses in training, stallions, broodmares and the useful products of the Argentine Thoroughbred farms.

In those 12 months, from January 1 through December 29, 1957, the competition on the race courses of the pampas was the biggest and the best in many years, notably since the horrible economic drain that the dictatorship imposed on the entire nation.

The Argentine turf has not fully recovered from those nightmarish times, and the domination of the racing scene by the then constituted powers. It is a matter of record that those in power campaigned stables ranging from four to 40 horses, operated farms, produced race horses in job lots, for their own agrandizement and benefit. What the dictator and in group wanted, they "bought" by governmental directive. It was always an "amicable transaction," so it was re-

The present administration may not be the most professional, but as far as Thoroughbred racing and production, and its development towards what it one was in the eyes of the populace, it is giving the turf industry all its support, and all the room required.

Thoroughbred racing in Argentina benefits all, for it is government operated, wholly and absolutely for the people in it and out of it.

There are colleges and hospitals, clinics and aid societies, there are schools

Twelve months of details, some quite There are 27 race courses in action, out of the ordinary, and the others of with four of these within Buenos Aires not much less importance, have just and the perimeter of this beautiful city of some 6,000,000 people.

Palermo, with its white marble, its statuary, gardens and huge expanse, is within walking distance from the business district and famed Hotel Plaza, where virtually every North American visitor stays. The Aldridge is a block away, and Palermo is but 10 minutes walking

San Isidro is 25 minutes away. La Plata is 35 minutes from Palermo and Rosario is one hour by train.

San Isidro is the newest one, and a dream track if ever there was one. All grass, with its vast training grounds where horses find galloping, cantering, walking and actual running strips ranging from 400 meters to 2000 meters; with vast "balnearias" or pools and batteries of showers. The grooms bring in the sweating Thoroughbreds, run them under the showers, or into the pools, walk or swim them through, and then on to the individual "studs" or stables along Dardo Rocha, or Las Lomas. There must be 80 to 90 individual stables, housing from one dozen to 75 horses, such as Sr. Juan Lapistoy's battalion, or the recently suspended Nicolas Ojeda, or Pedro Gonzalez, who developed Tatan, or Julio F. Penna, who led the trainers for 1957.

The other 23 tracks in operation from January 1 to December 29, are scattered in every province, all under the direction of the local representatives of the Ministerio de Hacienda, or the Department of Agriculture. This is the national power that controls the race courses or any establishment or area where gambling is conducted, for the entire nation derives benefit from the taxes from betting on the horses or the dice or the cards.

These tracks - the four mentioned, and Cordoba, Santa Fe, Mendoze, Tucuman, Corrientes, San Juan, Azul, Parana, Rio Cuarto, Tandil, Salta, Gualeguaychu, Bell

Ville, San Francisco, Villa Mercedes, Concordia, Rafaela, Villa Maria, Venado Tuerto, Victoria, Villaguay, La Paz and San Luis - provide the means of education, charity, medical treatment, financial assistance, wages, legal counsel, farming, cattle raising, or any like phase of agriculture or benefit to the nation, for the people of Argentina, notably those who directly or indirectly are connected with the Thoroughbred industry.

#### U. S. RIDERS IN DHAHRAN

Employees of the Arabian American Oil Co. and U. S. airmen assigned to the Dhahran Airfield have formed a local chapter of the International Arabian Horse Association, which incidentally is the first ever organized in Arabia. About 200 Americans are active in the group, stabling their horses at "The Corral", a riding club near the Dhahran headquarters of Aramco, which also has a clubhouse and a 2 1/4-mile track. The biggest difficulty is finding Arabian horses. Even as recently as 30 years ago, horses were raised by the thousands by Shamar and Ruwalla tribesmen and sold in the great markets of Damascus and Baghdad, the best going to British buyers for the Egyptian and Indian cavalry. Since the advent of mechanized warfare, however, the bedouins are breeding relatively few horses, so that it is far easier to buy an Arab in the United States than in Arabia.



"Ski Jorring" at the Foxhollow School, Lenox, Mass.



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#### Riding Camp

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#### Letters To The Editor

Continued from Page 2 not grow much over 16 hands. That this filly has responded so well to training must be a great source of pleasure to her owner and the 14-year-old girl who rides her. But that she was of attractive appearance at two does not necessarily mean that she will still be so when she attains full maturity at five, for the draught blood is likely to make her coarsen up as she gets older and she quite probably will be loaded in the shoulders (thick and beefy). If her Percheron dam is rangy for a Percheron or is a very good type for her breed and not common, then the filly might grow into a very useful sort which would make a good broodmare if bred to a tall Thoroughbred with an abundance of quality. But the filly's small Thoroughbred sire is a detriment if the objective is to breed heavyweight hunters, for her colts quite possibly will lack the size desired, even if she is bred to a big horse.

The other Percheron mare is described as blocky and compact and the impression is that she is not over 16 hands and probably smaller. Such a mare is not a good choice as a foundation broodmare even if bred to a 16.2 Thoroughbred. Sixteen hands should be the minimum for such a broodmare and, as the use of cold blood is primarily to get size, breeders should be sure that they have ample size in their foundation mares. Cold blood will not assure size unless the mare and her family actually have size and the stallions chosen to breed her to also have it, with the possible exception of Arab stallions. Arab stallions crossed on cold blooded mares of good size do not seem to reduce the size of their colts as much as would be the case if a small stallion of some other breed were used. In fact, Mrs. Stone might be better advised to cross her big Percheron mare with an Arab stallion, for I have seen some very fine big individuals produced from this cross, with the body and substance of the Percheron, the lovely head and clean cut throat of the Arab plus the brains and disposition both breeds are known for.

Mixed Blood

Breeders of purebred stock know the importance of breeding the best to the

When blood is mixed it should, if anything, be even more important to remember this, for mixed blood does not breed true and is far more likely to throw back to something that is undesirable in the lineage of either parent. A good colt one year from the same parents can be followed by a dud another year from the same parents. With purebred stock you known more certainly what to expect, for although some colts from the same parents will be better than others, if this mating produces good stuff, the expectation can be that it will continue to do so. Not so with half-breds they are much more prone to producing crooked legs and hereditary unsoundness even if the immediate parents do not possess same. For anyone contemplating the breeding of heavyweight half-breds the selection of the foundation mare is of extreme importance if success is to be gained.

I have stated that Mrs. Stone is unlikely to get her three specified requirements which were (1) a horse of sense and stamina. The Percheron blood will produce sense, but not stamina. Looks and style. Neither can be expected from the first cross with a Percheronlarge heads, thick throats, round and beefy shoulders, common quarters, meaty hocks, round soft bone, feet prone to foot troubles such as navicular and side bones and heavy footed action, which probably will not be straight but paddle or wing are all or in part likely to appear in a first cross with a Percheron and none of these are condusive to looks and style. A pleasant useful sort is about the best that can be expected, with the odd exception of course. (3) To be a good hack and family horse for children. The docile disposition may be present but, assuming the horse has indeed developed into a heavyweight, the other requirements will not be there. A comfortable hack should have a good riding shoulder. The Percheron blood is likely to produce thick shoulders which, because of their breadth, will be uncomfortable for any but a large person to ride and will also produce a rolling action which is tiring to both horse and rider. As for small children, such

a horse is an unsuitable mount, beyond its possible tractable and steady disposition, as children will be unable to sit properly in the saddle, due to the width of the horse, and will not possibly be able to use their legs. The horse's stride will be too great for the child to learn to be "with" his horse and a fall, when such occurs, can be serious for the child is a long way from the ground.

Canadian and European Products

Canada and Europe have for many years been breeding half-bred hunters, but it should be remembered that many of these so-called half-breds actually show many crosses of Thoroughbred and a large number do not have Draught horse as a foundation, but what might be referred to as "warm blood" of Cleveland Bay, French Coach, Holsteiner, Trakehnen, Hackney and Standardbred. This is not to say that some very good horses have not had Percheron blood and some of the best field hunters of the old days were Clydesdale-Thoroughbred cross. Some good field hunters of the present are half Percheron or half Clyde, but these are now becoming rather rare as most of Canada's halfbred hunters are in fact 3/4 bred or better. Breeders are no longer putting the plow mare to a Thoroughbred stallion as they did when there was a demand for a light delivery horse and the better colts found their way into the hands of hunting or hacking enthusiasts. Now the market is for a riding horse or hunter. Breeders know there is no market for any ordinary horse and no longer breed such with the hope of getting the odd better sort to sell for a better price as a hunter. They must now breed this better sort consistently and are much more discriminating about the kind of mare to use to get hunters. The oft referred to farmer-breeder is a thing of the past. Horses are still bred "upcountry" and horses are still used on farms, but now-a-days one finds that such farmers have horses not really for utility purposes, but because they like horses. You may see him seeding a field with his team, but there is a tractor in the

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## POLO



#### Valley Forge Polo

Valley Forge Military Academy's polo team "avenged" the only setback on its two-year record by tripping Maule Farms Polo Club, 8-2, on Sunday, March 2, in Clothier Hall on the Wayne, Pa., campus.

Lt. Colonel Eugene A. Fischer's Cadets broke a scoreless deadlock early in the second chukker on a mid-field bank shot by Bill Garcia. Dick Jones gave the Cadets a 2-0 advantage 40 seconds later on a short shot.

Fred Fortugno, Maule Farms, countered with a goal, but Garcia added another to give the Cadets a 3-1 halftime lead.

Jones tallied three goals in the second half and Garcia, two, as the Cadets stepped up their advantage. Norm Taylor added the other Maule Farms' marker.

The Maule trio, playing under the Brandywine banner last November 10, upset the Cadets, 11-6, the only setback suffered by the schoolboys in eight outings.

#### Yale Polo

Ann Braun

Minus the services of Captain Frolic Weymouth, who was injured in the February 22 Eli loss to Cornell at Ithaca, the Yale Polo Team nevertheless smothered the Virginia Polo Club by 22-5 in a Prom Weekend-packed Yale Armory March 1.

The Bulldogs' 6-1 first-chukker lead, and 9-1 halftime margin could not be regained by the visiting horsemen from Virginia.

Pete Carleton of Morristown, N. J., whose game totals grow higher with each successive game, racked up 12 goals from his No. I spot. The Bulldogs used the same 3-2-1 teamwork tactics that have brought victory, some close losses, and high-scoring crowd-pleasers every week in their home arena. With Perry Welch of Mount Carmel at back, and Bark Hickox of Westbury, L. I., at the pivot position banging the ball up to him again and again, Carleton sat at his forward post and poked them in, one after the other.

Virginia had the disadvantage of an unfamiliar playing area and strange ponies and less opportunity for practice, whereas the big Blue riders were fresh from the Cornell loss plus an opening-round victory in the tough competition of the Sherman Memorial Five-Goal Tournament at

Squadron A.
Yale Virginia P.C.
I. P. Carleton M. Posey

2. B. Hickox R. Riemenschneider 3. P. Welch D. Gerst

Alt. for Virginia: Tony Puerto. Scoring: Yale - Carleton 12, Hickox 6, Welch 3. Virginia - Riemenschneider 3, Gerst 2.

Yale 6 3 8 4 2 Virginia 0 1 2 2

Referee: C. W. Kellogg

#### Eastern Indoor Polo

Bill Briordy

Despite a four-goal outbreak by its rivals in the last period, Long Island turned back Manhattan, 8 to 7, in an Eastern Indoor Polo League game at the Squadron A Armory, Saturday night, Feb. 22.

This was a match that produced only two goals, one by each side in the first two periods. Long Island's side of John Whittemore, Allen Jerkens and Ed Feick took the decision by getting three goals in the third chukker and four more in the fourth.

The Manhattan team of Art Hourahan, John Greenleaf and Fred Zeller threw a scare into the Long Island team with its fourth-chukker spree, but time ran out before the losers could draw even. Whittemore and Jerkens and Greenleaf and Zeller each hit three goals for their teams.

In a non-tournament affair, Herb Pennell and Chick Gandel each stroked seven goals as Squadron A topped Brookville, 15 to 12. Pennell, who made four goals in the first period, paced his side to an 11-7 half-time lead. Zenas Colt showed the way for Brookville with six tallies.

Part of the proceeds from the Feb. 22 program went to Squadron A's Troop 627 of the Boy Scouts of America.

Yale's trio made its first appearance in the annual George C. Sherman Memorial five-goal play by checking Brookville, 12-11. The Eli side of Pete Carleton, Bart Hickox and Perry Welch made a four-goal allowance pay dividends in beating Brookville. Brookville made seven of its goals in the last two periods.

Long Island
1. J, Whittemore
2. A, Jerkens
3. E, Feick
Long Island
0 1 3 4 8
Manhattan
0 1 2 4 7
Goals - Whittemore 3, Jerkens 3, Feick 2;
Zeller 3, Greenleaf 3, Hourahan.

Referee: John Rice Squadron A Brookville 1, C. Gandel F. Kowalsky 2. H. Pennell G. Haas 3. R. Moriarty Z. Colt 6 5 3 15 Squadron A Brookville 3 4 2 3 12 Goals - Gandel 7, Pennell 7, by No, 1 penalty 1; Colt 6, Haas 3, Kowalsky, by handicap 2.

	Referee:	Jo	hn	Ric	e	
	Yale	Br	00	kvil	le	
	1. P. Carleton	F.	Ko	wal	sky	
	2. B. Hickox	J.	Ri	ce		
	3. P. Welch	A.	Je	rke	ns	
	Yale	6	3	3	0	12
	Brookville	2	2	3	4	11
	Goals - Carleton 3,	W	elc	h 3	, Hic	kox 2,
by handicap 4; Kowalsky 4, Rice 4, Jerkens					erkens	
	3.					



Emilio Tagle, President of the Palm Beach International Polo Club, goes over the board after hitting a boundary ball in the "Heart Day" polo match in West Palm Beach between the Circle F Solocup team from Dallas, Texas, and the Palm Beach team.

### **Essex Fox Hounds Point-To-Point**

Somerset

The Eleventh Essex Fox Hounds Pointto-Point Meeting was held Saturday, March 1, at the Essex Hunt Club, Peapack, N.J., with a card of three events. The first two were old-fashioned point-to-points. To say that the affair was a success would be the understatement of a decade. Most, if not all, of the participants in the pointto-point races had never ridden in an oldfashioned before and are still (a) heatedly describing the courses they took from one point to the next and why, and (b) bemoaning the courses they took and explaining in detail how they later figured out why they shouldn't have gone that way. A conversation piece that will do for months even when all else doesn't fail. The weather was alternately fair and cloudy, rather windy, with most of the 12-inch snow of two weeks ago melted and the going very heavy.

The first race was The Whitemarsh Plate for the Junior Old-Fashioned Pointto-Point, children 17 years and under eligible to compete. There were eight entries and with five scratches, three started and finished the approximate two-mile course with two chip-points, coming in so close together tht the proverbial blanket would have covered them. The finish was a real thriller. Carol Hofmann, on her good bay mare The Kitten, and Carol McNamara on J'Espere ( a bay mare owned by her father, John J.) crossed the line nose and nose in a dead heat; the time being 13 minutes 40 2/5 seconds. Less than a length behind came Douglas Louden on his chestnut gelding Buster Boy, who carried off the special trophy for the first ( and in this case, the only ) child under 14 to finish.

The second race, also an old-fashioned, closely resembled a mob scene. There were two prizes offered for this event, the William V. Griffin trophy, inaugurated this year in memory of the late William V. Griffin and presented by the Hunt Committee to the winner of the event, and The Essex Plate for the first lady to finish. Both awards were won by Mrs. Huntington Harrison, who not only led the field of 10 riders over the finish line for the Griffin trophy, but also copped the Essex Plate for being the first of her sex to get in. She rode a seven-year-old bay mare named So-So, owned and trained by her daughter, Gail Harrison.

There were 14 entries in this event and four scratches, and on the program the course was described as "4 1/2 Miles". This must have been calculated on the basis of a crow's flight from point to point, As actually ridden by some of the contestants, it ranged anywhere from six to eight miles.

The pace-setter was Oliver D. Filley, Jr., on his excellent bay gelding, Dragoon, and a fast, hard pace it was. Practically everyone took a different route at the start, and although he was beaten by a few seconds to the first point by Miss Peggy

Wemple on Mrs. H. Nelson Slater, Jr.'s aged roan gelding Pinky-Pye, Mr. Filley took command thereafter, showing profound knowledge of the country, and, with Mrs. Harrison riding in his pocket, arrived first at the next two points. The points were revealed only in order, and as each rider picked up his or her chip.

At the first point, which was the Fossbinders' gate (from the start at the Hunt Club), it was Miss Wemple, Mr. Filley and Mrs. Harrison. The order of arrival at the second point, the Slaters' stable, was Mr. Filley, Mrs. Harrison and Miss Wemple. Then, as the three leaders started for the third point, the Perrins' barn, Henry Barnard, on his four-year-old bay gelding, Lost Heritage, made his move as they jumped onto and off the road at the Martins' and seized third place behind Mr. Filley and Mrs. Harrison. At the third point, chips were picked up, in order of arrival, by Mr. Filley, Mrs. Harrison, Mr. Barnard, Miss Wemple and Mrs. Lester Perrin on her grey gelding, Shadow.

Coming back to the Club, Mr. Filley elected the Johnsons' driveway as, if not the shortest at least the easiest route home, and here Mrs. Harrison left him. Taking the shortest line, she jumped into and out of the field in front of the Johnsons' house, thus picking up several lengths which she held to and over the finish. Mr. Filley came in a strong second, and not far behind him. Mr. Barnard. Mrs. Perrin was fourth, and the rest of the group, in order of their appearance and coming in from literally all points of the compass, were as follows: William Van Deventer on his brown gelding, Pogo; Miss Wemple; Edward Barnes on his palomino gelding, Timothy; Mrs. Philip B. Hofmann on her grey mare, Foggy Morn; Winthrop Endicott on his bay gelding, Andrew; and Boyd Weiss on his grey mare, Freckles. Mrs. Harrison's time was 26 minutes, 12 seconds.

The last race, a 3 1/2 mile course over natural hunting country, was for The Charles Pfizer Cup and The Ajax Bowl, the first horse in to receive The Charles Pfizer Cup and the first halfbred to finish to get The Ajax Bowl. Minimum weight was 170 pounds and the

field consisted of three Thoroughbreds and three half-breds. The winner was Mister "T", owned by the Essex Fox Hounds and ridden by Peter Briggs.

John Pulverman, on his half-bred mare, Duellrose, set the pace for the first mile. Then, rounding the flag at the Hugh Hydes', Theologian, owned by Mrs. Slater and ridden by Lewis C. Murdock, went to the front, only to refuse at the 6th fence. Here, Mister "T" took over. Following by no more than a length was Dana, owned and ridden by Thomas F. Long, with Delmonte, owned and ridden by John J. Mc-Namara, a very close third, and Hector, owned by Boyd Weiss and ridden by Jack Shinn, right behind. From here on and for the next mile, Mister "T", Dana and Delmonte fought it out in a contest which obviously anyone of them could win. Still in that order, they roared into the 9th over which Mister "T" made a bad jump, almost unseating his rider. Whereupon Delmonte forged to the front, but on the steepdownhill approach to the 10th, Mister "T" really let out and regained his lead. He held it over that fence and over the 11th and last fence and won handily, going away. Dana came in second four lengths behind, and Delmonte third, four lengths behind Dana. Delmonte thus captured the honor of getting his name on The Ajax Bowl as the first half-bred to finish.

It was a real fun day and credit for the tremendous amount of work in the planning and synchronizing of it goes to the Joint Masters of the Essex Fox Hounds, Mrs. Charles Scribner and Mrs. Slater, also to Mr. and Mrs. lewis C. Murdock and Huntsman Buster Chadwell and to the many people who assisted them, and last and perhaps most important the gratitude of all participants goes to the land-owners who allowed their fields to be used for this community sporting event.

Summary The Charles Pfizer Cup, 3 1/2 miles over natural hunting country - won by Mister "T", brown gelding, 8, by Crack Favor, owned by the Essex Fox Hounds, ridden by Peter Briggs. Time: 9 min. 38 sec. 1. Mister "T"

2. Dana

3. Delmonte (Winner Ajax Bowl)

No scratches. 6 started. 4 finished. Theologian pulled up. Hector lost rider.

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#### Chronicle Cover

Colony Boy (Eight Thirty-Heritage, by \*Pharamond II) is a bay stallion foaled in 1943 and bred by Hal Price Headley. He won four races at two including the Walden Stakes (1 1/16 miles on a heavy track) in which he defeated Mighty Story and Marine Victory. At three he won a handicap at Santa Anita (1 mile in 1:37 2/5 beating Please Me and Bold Regard) and was placed in stakes. Purchased and retired to stud by Mr. and Mrs. Sydney W. Glass of Grange Farm, West Chester, Pa., he has proved to be a remarkably consistent sire of winners. In his first seven crops he had 82 registered foals, of which 68 started and 51 have won 248 races. Among his recent winners have been Sand Boy, who on February 12th won the Abraham Lincoln Stakes at Bowie. He has been a successful sire of conformation horses as well. Those of his get who have won blue ribbons in the show ring include Ballet Master, Lucaya, Frontier, Miss Colony, Colony Suite, Erin's Colleen, Quaker Colony, Junior High and Dutch Colony.

Howard E. Smith studied at the Art Students League in New York and with the Boston Museum School of Art in Boston, as well as privately with the great illustrater Howard Pyle. He also held a Paige Travelling Scholarship in France, Spain and Italy for 3 years. His portraits of people hang in such public buildings as the Treasury Department in Washington, D. C., the State House, Boston, Mass., the Capital Building, Sacramento, Calif., Brown University, Stanford University and the West Point Military Academy. He is recognized as one of the most successful painters of horses in this country. For Mrs. Marion duPont Scott of Montpelier, Va., he has painted portraits of her great horses Battleship, Troublemaker, Annapolis, Sea Legs and Hampton Roads. He has also painted Fortitude and 6 other hunters for Wharton Sinkler, former M.F.H. of the Huntingdon Valley Hunt Club. Equestrian portraits include Gordon Prince of the Myopia Hunt Club on King Neptune; Mrs. Hardie Scott of the Radnor Hunt Club on Sidney; and Miss Peggy Glaser of Pebble Beach, California on Culpepper. The portrait on our cover is typical of the striking likeness of the horse and the freedom in the handling of the background for which Mr. Smith has become noted.

#### Blue Ridge

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an anxious moment as the grey went wide but he was brought right back to lead over the 12th and final jump. Under the wire the order of finish was Gin Rickey, Hunt Liege, Royal Romance, Mrs. June Mc-Knight's Journey Bay, owner-rider Miss Gene Blackwell on Bones and Hand Money. The other starter, Flash B. had lost his rider at the 11th as he was making his move and hit this jump hard. Gin Rickey joined the group from Rappahannock who won his second straight race in as many outings.

Sandy Baldwin Memorial

The Sandy Baldwin Memorial was carded for about 3 miles but the field of five went over the same course as that flagged for the longer distance. Leaving the starter, Mr. Paul Fout on Mexican Don was quick to head the field, leading over the 1st jump and winging toward the 2nd jump followed by Mr. Peter Briggs on Mrs. H. Nelson Slater, Jr.'s Mister T, Mr. Charles Linton on John T. Crane's Malvolent and George T. Weymouth's Joy Time, with Mr. L. Miller up. Mexican Don jumped well over the 2nd but Joy

## Time swerved to the left, momentarily cutting off Mister T's view of the fence. Mister T hit hard, fell and rolled back onto his rider where he remained until spectators moved him. Luckily he did

not struggle to get up as this would have done untold damage to his rider.

Mexican Don continued to lead as the field went out of sight after the 4th and atop the hill and over the 5th, Malvolent now took a slight lead which he maintained over the next three fences but at the 10th, Mexican Don was again in the lead and over this jump, Joy Time propped badly but came on again to be on even terms with Mrs. William Crane's Mariachi with Mr. Crane up. The race continued between Mexican Don and Malvolent and over the next to last jump, Mexican Don still maintained his lead but Malvolent was moving rapidly and over the 20th and last, he held a slight advantage. Into the stretch Malvolent was ridden in front of Mexican Don and they finished in that order with Joy Time coming in to finish 3rd ahead of Mariachi.

The Springsbury

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The Springsbury was run this year in memory of George P. Greenhalgh who had been such a strong supporter of the sporting events in Clarke County, Inasmuch as scratches had cut the starters down to three horses, two horses who were entered in the heavyweight race, The Blue Ridge Plate, also started in this event. Ownerrider Cyrus Manierre and his front running Nordame quickly occupied the front slot and were away winging, Major George Fox on Mrs. Fox' Roust-A-Bout racing closest to him as they jumped the 3rd. Over he 6th, Nordame had increased his lead to some ten lengths with Mr. B. H. Murray on Mrs. A. C. Randolph's Uncle Joe, the closest in contention. Nordame continued to increase his lead but as he jumped the 12th, he hit hard, causing a bit of daylight to show between him and his rider. However they got together again and were tincanning toward the 13th when owner-rider Allen K. Shreve and His Luck came down.

Nordame and Mr. Manierre continued to lead around the course but as they came through the gap to approach the 19th, the horse lost valuable lengths, appearing to be really tired. Landing over the 19th, he almost came to a standstill, and Mr. Murray was quick to gain ground with Uncle Joe and held a slight advantage as the pair jumped the last fence. However, Mr. Manierre and Nordame came on again, passing Uncle Joe and maintaining their lead under the wire. Uncle Joe was 2nd ahead of Roust-A-Bout with Mr. C. Smith on Don Patterson's Tamer 4th and last. Roust-A-Bout was awarded the heavyweight trophy and Mrs. Greenhalgh, Sr., presented The Springsbury Trophy to Mr. Manierre. Major Fox and Roust-A-Bout had won their previous start at Rappahannock.

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#### Orange County Hunt Point-to-Point Meeting

Saturday, March 22, 1958 - Post Time 2:30 P. M.

The races will be run on property belonging to Mr. Horace Moffett and Mr. Herbert Shaw, The Plains, Va., 114 miles west of the Zulla Road (Rt. 709),

- Ist Bace—THE JESSICA McMANN MEMORIAL RACE. For Ladies. Minimum weight 145 pounds. About 3 miles over natural hunting country. For horses which have been regularly and fairly hunted during the current season. Challenge trophy presented by Mr.and Mrs. Matthias Hayes.
- 2nd Race—THE FREE STATE RACE. Minimum weight 165 pounds. About 3½ miles over a natural hunting country. Open to horses and riders regardless of previous racing experience. Challenge trophy presented by Mrs. Norman K. Toerge.
- 3rd Race—THE GEORGE L. OHRSTROM MEMORIAL RACE. Minimum weight 200 pounds. About 3½ miles over a natural hunting country. For horses which have been regularly and fairly hunted during the current season. Challenge trophy presented by members of the Orange County Hunt.
- 4th Race—THE ORANGE COUNTY HUNT POINT-TO-POINT CUP. Minimum weight 175 pounds. About 3½ miles over natural hunting country. For horses and riders neither of which have started in races sanctioned by the National Steeplechase and Hunta Association since March 22, 1957. Riders to be members of a recognized hunt. Challenge trophy presented by Mr. Frederick H. Prince.
- ALL ENTRIES, HORSES AND RIDERS, MUST BE ACCEPTABLE TO THE COMMITTEE.

A piece of plate to the owners of the winners and to the riders.

Please return entry blanks and fees (\$5.00 per race) before March 15, 1958 to: Mrs. Cyrus Manierre, Sec'y, The Plains, Va. Phone: Murray 7-4201.

#### Friday, March 14, 1958 Racing Review

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colt was making his fifth start and bringing off his third win. He placed second in his other two tries.

Because of his impressive - though brief - record, Royal Union was made the choice at slightly less than 3 to 1.

He alternated setting the pace with First Fair, shook off that one and lasted to win by less than a length over Noureddin. Ebony Pearl was third and Formal Gent. fourth.

The \$34,850 winner's share puts Royal Union at \$38,705.

Mr. Freeman Keyes bred the colt and is the proprietor of Reverie Knoll Farm. F. Sanders trains for him.

Johnny Heckmann has ridden Royal Union in all his races.

Bowie

Knollwood Farm's Movitave was the winner of the Barbara Frietchie Handicap, on March 8, coming up to get the lead in the stretch and trim Gay Warbler by a neck. Derry was half a length back in third place, and three-quarters before Clear Sailing.

Movitave was the only three-yearold in the race. She paid \$3.40.

Trained by J. Bowes Bond, the winner was coupled with Lucie Manette which finished eighth. Nick Shuk rode.

winner's share amounted to The \$18,177.50.

Movitave (Colonel Mike-Littlewhitelie, by Ramillies) won the Miss Maryland Stakes earlier in the Bowse meeting and has a 1958 record of \$28,904.50, and no losses in 2 starts.

She won 6 races, including the Pimlico Breeders' Stakes, and \$22,156, last

The Knollwood Stable belongs to Irwin Grinsfelder and John T. Sadler. The outfit bred Movitave.

Short Takes of Late Stakes

The Consolation Handicap (for horses that didn't win the New Orleans Handicapor finish second in it) went to T. A. Grissom's Shan Pac. The race was worth \$6,500.

The Providence Handicap, at Lincoln Downs on March 8, was won by Oclirock. The brown gelding won \$5,500 for owner P. Fuller.

G. S. Colella's Admirals Joy won the Inaugural Handicap at Lincoln Downs, March 5. That opening day feature was worth \$4,500.

#### A CHANCE WORTH TAKING

Anthony Cannuli, a Burlington, N.J., farmer went to \$2,300 for a horse at the 1956 Keeneland Fall yearling sales. Because Tony had risked the money, his wife insisted on the name Chance It Tony - a stakes candidate at Hialeah this year.

#### Blue Ridge

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The Clifton Cup, for ladies. Minimum weigh 145 lbs., abt. 3 miles over a fair hunting country. For horses which have been regularly and fairly hunted during the current season. Trophy to winner. Piece of plate to winning rider. Time: 5:32 2/5.

Gin Rickey (Mr. Mallory Nash), Mrs. Robert Rogers.

2. Hunt Liege (Mrs. H. Nelson), Owner. nce (Mimi Mills), Owner.

7 started, 6 finished; also ran (order of finish); Mrs. J. McKnight's Journey Bay, Poppett Robinson; Gene Blackwell's Bones, owner; T. Taylor's Hand Money, Miss Elliott Mc-Elhinney, lost rider (11th): G. Weymouth's Flash B, Miss

The Sandy Baldwin Memorial. Novice, minimum weight 175, abt. 3 miles over a fair hunting country. Trophy to winner, Time: 8:56,

Malvolent, (John T. Crane), Charles Linton.
 Mexican Don, (Mr. & Mrs. W. Crane), Mr. Paul Fout.

5 started, 4 finished; Mrs. William Crane's Mariachi, Mr. William Crane; fell (2nd): Mrs. H. Nelson Slater, Jr.'s Mister T., Mr. Peter Briggs.

The Springsbury. Minimum weight 175, abt. 3 1/2 miles fair hunting country. Trophy to owner and rider. Time: 8:47.

1. Nordame, (Cyrus Manierre), Owner,

Nordame, Cyrus Manderrej, Owber.
 Uncle Joe, (Mrs. A. C. Randolph), Mr. B. H. Murray.
 Roust-A-Bout, (Mrs. George Fox), Maj. G. Fox.
 S started, 4 finished: Don Patterson's Tamer, Mr. C.

Smith; fell (12th): Allen Shreve's His Luck, Allen Shreve.

The Joseph W. Lewis Memorial. Minimum weight 165, abt 3 miles, for members of recognized hunts. Over fair hunting country. Trophy to owner, plate to winning rider. Time: 8:33 1/5.

Time: 8:33 1/5.
I. Bucyrus, (Leeway Farm), Mr. C. Smith.
2. Laddie Boy, (Mrs. E. Exnicios), Mr. B. H. Murray.
3. Wee Joe, (F. White), Mr. Sandy Young.
4 started, 3 finished; lost rider (ISth); Mrs. W. P. Hill's

Roman Dance, Mr. William Wetherall.

#### STRING ALONG WITH HIM

Ingenious use of a piece of string is responsible for the success of Bold Ruler, 1957's Horse-of-the-Year and the favorite for Hialeah's \$100,000 Widener. He resents pressure on his tongue, the result of an accident as a foal. string attachment, devised by Trainer Jim Fitzsimmons, takes the pressure of the bit off the tongue and puts it on the

#### DID SHE GET IT?

Bwamazon Farm has a 3-year-old filly in training at Hialeah who is going to recall conflicting memories to a large segment of the population. The miss is named Loan Me Five, and she is by My Request, out of Five Spots.

#### Letters To The Editor

Continued from Page 29 barn and if you take another look at the team like as not you will see not an old farm team, but a pair of really good horses that very probably are registered show animals. This same type of farmer may breed hunters. He doesn't do so with the expectation of making them a paying part of his farm, but more as a hobby and the mares he has will have been selected for this purpose. Ontario, the principal source of Canadian hunters, is not breeding nearly as many as was the case 10 or 15 years ago, but those that are being bred are of very much higher quality and uniformity as to type than

There is a great need for other-than-Thoroughbred weight carrying hunters. Mrs. Stone and others deserve all credit for their efforts to produce them, but let them be sure their foundation mares are the right sort lest they throw time, money and hopes away. Adele Rockwell

ever was the case before.

Indiana Organization

We wish to report that a "Thoroughbred Association" has been organized, here in Indiana. The membership roll is new open for charter members, at \$10.00 per year, which may be sent to Ronald B. Woodard, R.R. 1, Zionsville, Indiana. The 1958 officers are: president, Nelson Bohannan, 557 Citizens Bank Bldg., Anderson; vice-president, M.K.Essig, R.R. 2, Noblesville; secretary, J. R. Brandt, Inand treasurer, Ronald B. Woodard, Zionsville.

There are some 300 owners of regiscered Thoroughbreds, in use for breeding, racing, pleasure, hunters and jumpers, in the State of Indiana and thus this new organization. Monthly meetings are planned, conformation classes at the Indiana State Fair and etc., are among the many proposed plans and projects for this new organization.

Yours truly, Harold Tyner

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#### NEW VIRGINIA RESIDENT

Miss Emilie Bromley, formerly of Philadelphia, Pa., has taken possession of the property which she purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fout in the Orange County Hunt country. Well known in hunting and breeding circles in this country and in Ireland, where she rode in Point-to-Point races and hunted with many packs before and after the late unpleasantness, Miss Bromley's more recent activities have centered around the raising and breeding of wirehaired Dachshunds. Her Edgelough Kennel, established in 1940, is a familiar one to wirehaired Dachshund fanciers. Miss Bromley plans to discontinue the Kennel and concentrate on a small horse breeding farm for lead-in and show stock. Her broodmare is now at North Fletcher's Crestone Farm, Warrenton, Va., and her yearling filly will be coming down from Pennsylvania shortly. M. T.

#### MEMPHIS POLO ASSOCIATION

At the annual meeting of the Memphis Polo Association held February 2, 1958, the following officers were elected: President, Barclay McFadden; Vice-President, Arnold Klyce; Secretary-Manager, Arthur Herman; Treasurer, Dr. Fred Gioia; and board of Governors, E. W. Cook, Frank Norfleet, R. E. L. Wilson III and Winston Cheairs, Jr. At the meeting plans were made for games with the following Polo Clubs at Memphis this coming spring and summer: St. Louis, Wichita, Tulsa and Chattanooga.

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#### SPORTING CALENDAR CHANGES

The Rose Tree Hunter Trials, Media, Pa., will be held on April 5 instead of April 6, as listed in our calendar. The Iroquois Hunt Point-to-Point Races will be held on March 29th at Lexington, Ky. The latter was erroneously listed as March 22 at Nashville, Tenn., in our February 28th issue.

#### POLO PLAYING TRAINER

Twenty-eight-year-old trainer Allan Jerkens of East Islip, Long Island, who saddled 258 mounts last season, 55 of which adorned the winner's circle, plays polo for recreation. Jerkens' father, an ex-Australian cavalryman who trained polo ponies, gave Jerkens his first experience with horses in this field of sport when he was a boy. Twice a week he works out members of the Brookville team in the 101st Armory at 94th St. and Madison Ave., New York City. He has a one-goal handicap. L. deF.



#### CONNEMARA MEETING

On Feb. 8th, the first meeting of the American Connemara Society was held at the Groton Inn in Massachusetts. The enthusiastic turnout was wonderful.

Among the breeders represented were Mrs. Bruce Read, Sec. of the Society, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Middendorf and Mrs. Carl Johnson, all of Massachusetts; Mr. Joseph Sisto of Pennsylvania, Mr. and Mrs. Bouchard from Rhode Island; and Mrs. William Crane from Cleveland, representing Whitewood Stud in Virginia.

Many people that were interested in the breed of ponies, included Mrs. Robert E. Carter III, Master of Groton Hunt.

Foundation rules for the Society, dues and registration fees were the main policies discussed. Everybody had a good time showing many pictures and talking about ponies!

Participator

#### SNUFF BOXES

Columnist Charles Hatton comments:
"Three dukes are skirmishing, all very elegantly and in the best of good form, for the post of president of the French Jockey Club, which 88-year-old Armand Francois de la Rochefoucauld, the 18th Duke of Doudeauville, will resign this year. He wishes to quit the post, last stronghold of France's aristocracy, to devote his time exclusively to his collection of snuff boxes."

#### LAWRENCE C. PHIPPS

Lawrence C. Phipps, a former partner of Andrew Carnegie and a Senator from Colorado for two terms, died in Los Angeles at the age of 95. His sons, Lawrence and Gerald Phipps who survive him, have been most active in horse sports, the former as M.F.H. of the Arapahoe Hunt, Littleton, Colorado, and the latter as regional vice-president of the American Horse Shows Association and a director of the U. S. Equestrian Team.

#### M.C.H. GUESTS

Out of Town guests in Southern Pines, North Carolina, for hunting with the Moore County Hounds and M.C.H. Hunter Trials: From Syracuse, Mr. & Mrs. Harold Ousby and Miss Naomi Ousby, Ted Raulston, Mr. & Mrs. Earl Machold and Miss Anne Machold, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Digney, Mrs. Dwane Clark and Mrs. Haggerty. Delmar Twyman, Orange, Virginia, Miss Bland Green, Warrenton, Shelley Warren & Robert Kerns, Middleburg, Bessie Buckley, Sweet Briar College, Mrs. Winston Guest, Middleburg, Dickie Kelley and Betty Berol Schenk, Gene Cunningham, Richmond, Mr. & Mrs. Nathaniel Clark, Cortland, New York, Mr. & Mrs. Rod Tilt, Bedford Hills, N. Y., Mr. & Mrs. J. Blan Van Urk and Mr. & Mrs. A. W. Moss, Mt. Kisco, N. Y., Mr. George Clarkson, St. Louis, Mo., Jiggs Baldwin, West Chester, Penna, and Miss Sally Dohner, Camp Hill, Pa. From Fairfield, Connecticut, Miss Jean Cochrane, Miss Gay Tate, Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Nichols, Mr. Bill Stetson, Joint M.F.H. Fairfield County Hounds, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Westerlund, Wilton and Miss Liz Few, Fairfield, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Harper, Newtown Square, Pa., Alex Forman, Morristown, N. J., Dave Wright, Darien, Conn. and Miss Constance Dewilde, Clarks Summit, Pa. From Camden, S. C., Betty Haight, Deidre Hanna and S. C. Clyburn and Mr. & Mrs. Richard Opfer, Baltimore and Mr. & Mrs. William Cockeyville, Md. Boston sent Southern Pines Mrs. Gardiner Fiske now a resident at Paddock Jr. and in her guest cottage, the Pyemonts. Miss Betty Dumaine, Harry Bliss, James Vaughn, Herb Langlois, Miss Jilly Morrissey, all of Boston and Mr. Bob Grey and Miss Patsy Grey of South Lincoln, Mass. P.S.

#### RACE TO MOMMY

In an article in the February "Turf and Sport Digest", Wayne Capps tells about a race for sucklings held daily at the Los Alamitos Quarter Horse track of Frank Vessels. During the spring meeting a group of Vessels' Quarter Horse mares are stationed at the finish line while their foals are taken 150 yards up the stretch. At a signal the grooms let the foals loose who thereupon leg it as fast as they can go to mommy and the milk bar. Not only does this get the youngsters used to the track at the earliest possible moment, but it delights the race track crowds as well.

#### Friday, March 14, 1958

#### BRITISH COMBINED TRAINING

Scheduled for 1958 in Britain are 19 Combined Training Events - Badminton (April 17-19) and Harewood (September 4-6) are full 3-day events, the other 17 being one-day events. All are held under the sponsorship of the British Horse Society, which provides for three grades of difficulty in these competitions, open, intermediate and preliminary. Badminton and Harewood are, of course, open events while Chatsworth offers open and intermediate, but no preliminary event. Of the remainder, Tetcott, Warden Law, Tetbury and Scone Palace offer preliminary events only. The other 11 events each offer all three.

#### FAR FLUNG STABLE

Harry LaMontagne, distinguished as an artist and as an owner of race horses, in one season had racing stables in seven different countries - United States, Canada, Cuba, England, France, Belgium and Spain.

#### DOOLEY ADAMS RECOVERING

Mr. F. Dooley Adams, retired famed steeplechase rider, unfortunately met the kicking end of a horse with his stomach. After an operation at Moore Memorial Hospital, Pinehurst, N. C., his many friends will be glad to hear he's recovering at his home, "Refugio Farm" in Southern Pines, N. C. P. S.

#### PINK COAT COMMITTEE MEETS

A Pink Coat Committee meeting was held February 11 at W. O. Moss' Mile-Away Farm, near Southern Pines, Richard Webb, Stamford and Southern Pines, acted as chairman and members present were W. O. Moss, Mickey Walsh, Carlyle Cameron and Al Moss, Mt. Kisco. Under discussion was the re-establishment of the Pink Coat Race at the Stoneybrook Race Meet March 22nd. This popular Race to be held again this year is restricted solely to hunters who have hunted regularly with the Moore County Hounds, Southern Pines, N. C. No horse is eligible which has been

#### BRITISH RIDING STYLES

Commenting on the increase of acrobatics among riders in jumping classes in Britain, Col. C. E. G. Hope, Editor of "The Light Horse", says: "The root of the trouble is the lack of strong and authoritative riding instruction in this country, both in the Pony Club and in riding schools, of the kind and quality that is given by only a handful of teachers in this country, who not only know what they want to achieve but are able to impress it indelibly on their pupils."

#### NATIONAL MUSEUM OF RACING

Walter M. Jeffords, president of the National Museum of Racing, Saratoga Springs, New York, has purchased from the Elmore Browne Exhibit currently at Hialeah Park, to hang in the museum, a painting entitled "Oklahoma" of a scene in the stable area of that name at Saratoga.

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L. T. Greenaway (center), owner of Bucyrus which won the Mary Slaughter Memorial Race at the Rappahannock (Va.) Hunt Point-to-Point races, receives trophy from Perry Duncan (right). Crompton Smith, Jr. (left) was the winning rider.

(Allen-Middleburg, Va.)

#### HORSE SHOW FILM

At a gathering of more than 40 horsemen on January 25th at the home of Mr. & Mrs. James C. Hooper on Greencrest Road in Baltimore, Md., there was shown an hour long film of some of the horse shows held at the Hillcrest Country Clubduring 1957. Among those present were Mr. & Mrs. R. V. Rill, E. Paul, Linky Smith, Bill West, Tom DeBaufre, Norman and Dotty Lam and John Mezaurus.

#### MARQUESS OF ABERGAVENNY

During the recent running of the Flamingo Stakes at Hialeah, Fla., E. P. Taylor, president of the Ontario Jockey Club, entertained in his box the Marquess of Abergavenny, a member of the British Jockey Club and of the National Hunt Committee and a steward at the Ascot and Goodwood meetings.

raced over timber or brush, and all entries must be male members of the M.C.H. The race will be 1 1/2 miles with all horses carrying 190 pounds. Besides the above mentioned Pink Coat Committee, the following riders are eligible: Lloyd Tate, William Tate, A. C. Alexander, Dooley Adams, Mickey Walsh, Jr., Dwight Winkleman Sr. & Jr., Charles Stitzer, Earl Hoy, Tayloe Compton and Warner Atkins. Mr. Webb, Mr. Walsh and Mr. Moss will qualify all horses.

P. S.

#### MANASSA MAULER

Jack Amiel, Jack Dempsey's partner in the Broadway restaurant, wanted to name'a horse Manassa Mauler after his associate. In order to comply with Jockey Club rules, however, he had to get this permission in writing.

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